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Solidarity is accused of attempting to take over power

he Polish Politburo yesterday onsidered a report accusing olidarity, the independent trade nion organization, of trying to ecoup power and of falling under the domination of a right-wing

clique. But there were concessions to Solidariy which is threatening an indefinite national strike from tomorrow. In Moscow, Tass depicted Poland as being virtually in the grip of counter-revolution.

Concessions offered by Politburo

The Polithuro of the Polish immunist Party yesterday cused Solidarity, the indepen-int trade union, of trying to urp power and of falling ider the domination of a the wing clique—but it also fered important concessions. Among these was what preared to be a promise of investigation into the recent leged police assault in union ficials in Bidgosez which rovoked the present crisis as ell as an undertaking to pun-

... The accusations and concesons were made in a speech Mr Kanimierz Barcikowski, cretary of the party's Central ammittee, during its ninth ecial plenary session which ebated the latest and most rrinus confrontation between olidarity and the state. Mr Barcikowski's speech was

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Alillions of workers obeyed
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Mr Barcikowski delivered a nort on the crisis on behalf the Politburo, of which he is member. According to disnemore. According to dis-tches from Warsaw by surers and Agence France-esse, he claimed that Solida-y had allowed itself to be minated by a right-wing fac-m. It was no longer a presre group but was involved in open battle against the rty and against communism

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must be the fight against enemies of socialism", he said. The union's leaders owed it to the nation and themselves to weed out the anti-purty elements

Mr Barcikowski's remarks echoed attacks on Solidarity over the past few days in the Soviet media and those of East Germany, Czechoslovakia and other Warsaw Pact countries.

Since he has been associated with the moderate faction in the divided party. Mr Barcikowski may have been playing towski may have been playing the part of a sheep in wolf's clothing to appease Poland's increasingly critical and anxious neighbours who have been piling on the pressure for resistance to Solidarity's growing demands.

Large Warsaw Pact forces are on "indefinitely extended" manoeuvres on Poland's eastern and western borders and along her coast.

Mer coast.

Mr Barcikowski denounced Solidarity leaders' "attacks on the militia (police)" and accused them of "slanderous propaganda" in defying the country's leadership and "holding a guy to authorize head?

ing a gun to authority's head."
The present tension flows from the incident in the northern town of Bydgoszcz on March 19 when Solidarity officials were beaten up by plainclothes security police, according to the union's national leadership. Mr Barcikowski said the

regional authorities in the town had been right to break off a meeting with the union officials. But he "deplored" the fact that the three officials had been attacked and needed hospital treatment. He said that the incident would be thoroughly investigated and it was essential that the said that the incident would be thoroughly investigated and it was essential that others recognition. tial that those responsible should be punished.

Finally Communist Party to oppose This was a clear move in that he was is tendency with all its Solidarity's direction despite tion today.

Tass reports violence and anarchy

in Poland to Soviet public

to intimidate their members. It

said lists of people to be "isolated" were being prepared

in a number of districts. In the

Legnicia region, such lists giving the home addresses of

civilian workers in the police force were being "openly

Meanwhile, what Tass called

subversive elements in the

Kielce region were setting up

roadblocks, and all road signs in that region had been des-troyed. Solidarity leaders had launched "brazen attacks" on

the Communist Party at a rail-

way workshop in Wroclaw, and in Warsaw and other cities anti-

socialist forces had tried to

and security bodies and trying average Russian of the counter

Socialist forces and tried to the crisis. The Russians have Completing this picture of indicated that tough action and violence and anarchy, clearly intended to convince the to prevent a general strike.

strength. "Our main objective the harsh words in the rest of his report—the union wants, among other things, the dismissal of those responsible for the Rydgoszcz violence and protection for its officials and members

He made another move in Solidarity's direction by drop-ping strong hints of demo-cratization at all levels of the

Communist Party He ended his report by announcing the indefinite post-ponement of the ninth Special Party Congress, which could not be contemplated, he said, until Poland returned to social

On balance, his speech suggested that the moderates have the upper hand over the hardliners at present in the struggle within the party but that both sides are anxious to appease

The Central Committee was The Central Committee was in no doubt of the possible consequences if Tuesday's general strike goes ahead. The speeches acknowledged that it could bring economic disaster and threaten the existence of Poland. The country has food for less than 12 days and a huge foreign debt with little hard currency to pay it.

One curious aspect of vester.

One curious aspect of yesterday's session was the low pro-file of Mr Stanislaw Kania, the party leader, who is identified with the moderate wing. He confined himself to opening the meeting

Talks between Solidarity and the Government, which were re-sumed on Friday after the warnthree hours and a half on Satur-

After the talks Mr Andrzej Gwiazda, deputy leader of Soli-darity, told reporters: "It is not an impasse". And Mr Mieczy-sław Rakowski, a Deputy Prime Minister and leader of the gov-Minister and leader of the gov-ernment side, said afterwards that he was hopeful of a solu-

revolutionary nature of events

of the overthrow of communism, Tass said that for a time Solidarity even managed to seize a television transmitter in

Seize a television transmitter in Warsaw. But this "sally of the political instigators" was frustrated, the report said.

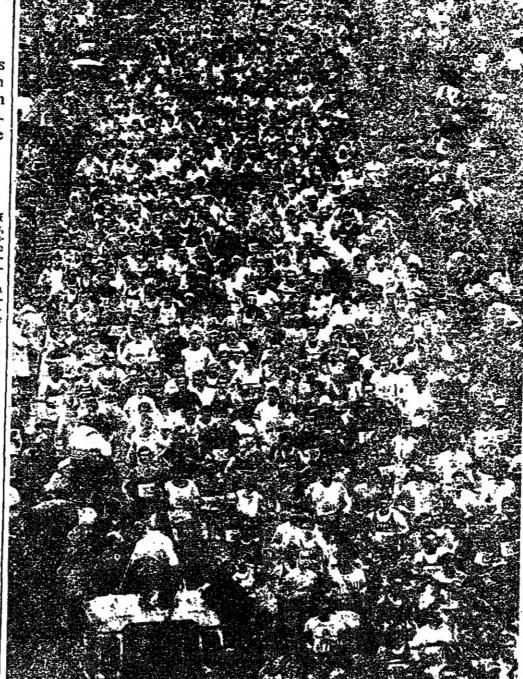
Noting that the party's Politburo and local party officials were meeting to discuss the tensions in the country, Tass blamed the crisis on the "provocative actions" of the union.

The sharp tone of these

Soviet press comments will clearly make it hard for the

Polish authorities to make any concessions in trying to defuse

Poland and the real danger



Some of the 7,000 runners in the London marathon throng Charlton Way, Greenwich.

Greek spirit triumphs in the marathon

completed the capital's first

Expressions ranging elation to despair on the faces of the runners as they crossed the finishing line showed they had discovered and overcome pain barriers they never knew About half the competitors

had attempted the full distance before yesterday but 80 per being question cent completed the course from Greenwich Park to Buckingham walker to

Palace.

They ranged from a girl aged utes, a time that put many of a 15 who had entered unofficially the runners to share.

The winners, Dick Beardsley the oldest man in the race. He and linge Simonsen, who had never run more than seven finished the race hand in hand were confronted as they ran By John Witherow

The ancient Greek spirit of stoicism triumphed over 26 gruelling, water-logged miles of London's roads yesterday as most of the 6,700 competitors the onnest man in the rate. He had never run more than seven miles before but finished the course in just over six hours.

Encouraged by 17 grand-children and seven greatmost of the 6,700 competitors grandchildren. Mr Wiseman, the course in just over six hours. from Greenwich, said he would have another go next year.

The boom of a 25-pound can-

non sent the marathon men and women on their way at 9 am but it took the back of the field six minutes to reach the point from where the fastest runners had started. Some of the competitors were

alarmed to find themselves being quickly overtaken by long-distance walkers. The first walker to finish completed the course in three hours 12 min-utes, a time that put many of

were confronted as they ran along Constitution Hill by two protesters carrying a banner which said: "Victory for the Irish Hunger Strike". One of them was knocked down before being led away by police in the haste to clear the way.

Mr. Christopher Brasher, organizer of the Gillette-

sponsored marathon, who described it as "the people's race", broke three hours for

Friendly finish, page 9

Monetarism attacked by top economists

Three hundred and sixty-four of Britain's leading academic economists have today pub-hished an outspoken attack on the Government's handling of the economy.

The group, which includes most of the men who have held the coveted post of Chief Economic Adviser to governments since the war, declares that present policies are eroding the industrial base, deepening the depression and threatening ocial and political stability. The actack comes in the form of a statement which was circu-

hared in Britain's universities just after the Budget. Copies have been sent to the Prime Minister and to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Although uncompromising in tone, it has succeeded in attracting massive support from the community of ademic economists. Among the signatories are the

president, nine vice-presidents and the director-general of the Royal Economic Society. The statement says: "We, vho are all present or retired nembers of the economic staffs of British universities, are con-

There is no basis in economic theory or supporting evidence for the Government's belief that by deflating demand they will bring inflation permanently under control and thereby induce an automatic recovery in output and employment; Present politices will deeper

the depression, erode the in-dustrial base of our economy and threaten its social and political stability; There are alternative policies; The time has come to reject

movetarist policies and consider urgently which alternative offers the best hope of sustained economic recovery."

Five men who have held the post of Chief Economic Advisor to the Comment since viser to the Government since the war bave signed the statement. They are Professor Jame Meade, Lord Roberthall, Sir Alec Cairneross, Sir Bryan Hopkin and Sir Fred Atkinson.

The list includes 76 present or past professors. Thirty-six universities are represented. The statement was organized Professors Frank Hahn and Robert Nield at Cambridge.

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W. L. Kendall; equality, from Sir Ronald Bell, QC, MP

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Indonesia gives in to hijackers

From David Warts in Singapore and Neil Kelly in Bangkok

President Subarto of Indonesia tonight agreed to release 84 prisoners, to meet demands of five hijackers holding 45 passengers hostage on a DC9 airliner at Bangkok airport

The Thai Government later said a DC10 airliner, believed to be carrying the prisoners, had landed in Bangkok after flying from Jakarta.

The DC9 airliner was hijacked yesterday on a flight from Jakarta to Medan in northern Sumatra. The airliner touched down first on the island of Penang off the west coast of Malaysia before continuing to

A British bostage escaped from the airliner this afternoon by forcing open an escape batch at the rear of the aircraft while the hijackers were dis-tracted at the front.

Mr Robert Wainwright, aged 27, jumped to the ground and sprinted to salety with only minor injuries.

Mr Waiowright, a married man who lives in Jakarta, but comes from Cromford, Derby-shire, works for Milchem, an oil

An American colleague Mr Karl Schweider, who works for the same company, tried to escape in similar fashion a few hours later. He was shot through the chest by the hijackers and may be paralysed for life.

Safe-conduct: Panama was to day preparing safe-conducts for the armed hijackers of a Hon-duras jet who last night re-leased their 47 remaining hostages in Panama City in exhange for the release of 13 political prisoners from Honduras.-Agence France Presse. Photograph, page 5

Four killed in helicopter crash

Four people were killed in a helicopter crash on the out-skirts of Silverstone village, Northamptonshire, last night.
They are believed to have been taking off after attending an international trophy meeting

at the motor racing circuit.

Mountbatten role in 1968 coup discussion denied by Sir Harold

Sir Harold Wilson said fast light that a high-level coup to take over his government had been planned in the late 1960s. The former Prime Minister gave no firm details of the instigators of the plan, except to

describe them as people "high

up in the press' But he denied a report in The Sunday Times quoting his former political secretary, Lady Falkender, as saving that Lodd Mountbatten of Burma had

been a "prime mover". That claim was also denied yesterday by Mr Cecil King, former head of the IPC publishing group, who was present at the meeting where the attempt was said to have been discussed.

According to Mr King, he and Mr Cudlipp were summoned by them that the Queen was "very distrassed and disturbed" about letters of complaint she had been receiving about the Government

meant that these letters had to be sent to the Home Secretory, Lord Mount-batten had added, but "it was not very satisfactory sending letters of complaint to the people complained of ".

Mr King added: "I told him did not think there was anything he should do. I said there might come a time when the armed forces might have a part to play or the monarch might have a part to play, but it certainly was not then.

"In view of his position, I said it was important that he should keep his hands completely clean. It was not only inadvisable for him to do any-thing: it was imperative for

him to do nothing."

According to The Sunday
Times, Lady Falkender, then
Mrs Marcia Williams, Mr Wilson's private secretary, named Lord Mountbatten as a prime mover in plauning for a coup. But Mr King said Lord Mountbatten "gave me no inkling that he might have a coup in

In a statement to the Press Association Sir Harold described the report, in the Sunday Times, as an "unwarranted slur" on the memory of the

late earl.
Sir Harold's statement said: Apart from my intervention in Parliament last week, the accuracy of which was confirmed by the Prime Minister, I had decided to reserve all further statements for the commission of inquiry.

"But two statements in a

Sunday newspaper today require instant repudiation. The first, in The Sunday Times, suggested that I was in 1977 ped-

papers and then approached the BBC. This is talse. "The director general of the BBC approached me and asked me if I would see two BBC researchers. They were Mr Penrose and Mr Conttiour, I agreed to do so.
"Shortly after I saw them

the director general came to see me with apologies and warned me to have no more to do with them. They were, he said, writing a book and using the BBC as a cover for their intersients before reing their interviews before going into Fleet Street.

"Since it was at his request that I had seen them he felt it right to come and tell me that the BBC could no longer

The second story, also in The Similar Times, is an unof Lord Mountbatten.

high up in the press approached Lord Mountbatten to discuss their plan for a coup to take uver the machinery of govern-

Mountoatten and Sir Solly Zuckerman sent them packing in the best quarter-deck manner.

The Sunday Times said that a plan to remove the Wilson Government became the subject a secret investigation,

A report in The Sunday Times also alleged that the 1968 plot, according to Sir Martin Furnival Jones, interesting the desired by the secret service, which reported to Mr James Callaghan, then Home Secretary.

According to The Sunday Times. Sir Martin described the conspirators as "civil servant and military" and as a "pretty loony crew", but said that although the results were sent to Mr James Callaghan, then Home Secretary who it said, "was not slow to act", bur no action was taken against

Sir Martin said yesterday he had not disclosed details of any investigation and added that The Sunday Times had misquoted him "on a number of quite important particulars".

There were conflicting responses to the account of a meeting at Lord Mountbatten's flat in May, 1968. Those present, apart from Lord Mount-batten and Mr King, were Mr Hugh (now Lord) Cudlipp, Mr King's successor as head of IPC, and Sir Solly (now Lord) Zuckerman, then the govern-ment's chief scientific adviser.

At that meeting, according to Lord Cudlipp's aurobiography, Mr King asked Lord Mountbatten to serve as the head of an alternative govern-ment once Mr Wilson had been ousted. Lord Zuckerman was said to have stormed out say-"This is rank treachery I will have nothing to do with it".

Lord Zuckerman yesterday

Lord Zuckerman yesterday backed up the account given in Lord Cudlipp's book,

Mr King, however, said the question of a coup was not talsed by anybody.

Lord Cudlipp describes in his autobiography how Mr King called him to a meeting with Lord Mountbatten and Lord Zuckermans.

Zuckermens.

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earl to serve as the bead of an iternative government once Sir flarold was ousted and that Lord Zuckermann then stormed out of the room.

On the information matter, the newspaper report claimed that within weeks of his resigna-tion in 1976. Sir Harold began suggesting to various news-papers that there was something rotten with the security ser-

It then said that he approached the BBC and, in a series of interriews, "wos dismantling the hallowed convention that a Prime Minister never discusses with outsiders the innermost secrets of the

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plitical dispute has arisen within the and Public Services Association, the est Civil Service union, over appointits to senior jobs and a plan for a et ballot of members. Left-wing candiis for two posts are appealing for the Terning of appointments recommended

Further economic

Warsaw Pact armour on the move in East Germany.

A revised Confederation of British Industry forecast says that the decline in manufacturing output will continue until 1982 and unemployment may reach about 3,250,000. The TUC is poised to revive its "crisis guidance" on redundancies issued during the 1974 three-day week Page 15

West Indies in control

West Indies took control of the fourth Test against England in Antiga when they declared their first innings at 468 for 9. Richards was the top scorer with 114, his thirteenth Test century. Garner (46) and Holding (58 not out) provided surprising resistence among the lower-order batsmen

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Mr Jenkins suggests standstill on pay

By Fred Emery
Political Editor
A "standstill" on real wages the economy moving and unem-ployment reduced, Mr Roy Jenkins said yesterday. Such a standstill might be acceptable for periods if people could see the economy picking up, Mr Jenkins contended, instead of

London Weekend Television's Weekend World programme, made clear, implicitly, that he was not making common cause with Mrs Margaret Thatcher's renewed call for sacrifice by

those in work.

While he agreed that money wage increases might need to be below the rate of inflation. Mr Jenkins did not want that as a general proposition. He wanted to look at the overall level of demand, and was particularly concerned to advocate a great increase in public sector investment. He would not

Asked whether he would per-Asked whether he would persuade or force the unions to accept his pay policy. Mr Jenkins suggested that if Social Democrats and Liberals broke the monopoly bold of the main parties, there might come a change of attitude. Union members might have a great desire the main than the state of the social policy. to make their voices heard in the unions. It would mark an end to confrontation politics. He also vigorously contested

He also vigorously contested the Government's Budget policy of holding down public borrowing. This could not be done in a recession without destroying the welfare state, he said

. It was like a car getting deeper and deeper into the mud.

He said the whole infrastruc-A "standstill" on real wages could be part of a Social Democrat government's policy to get renewal; to finance new public renewal to the finance new public renew public ren investment the Government could both earmark North Sea oil revenue and allow borrowing to rise temporarily.

Expressing not dissimilar ideas on public sector invest-ment schemes, like electrifica-Jenkins contended, instead the hopelessness at present tion of the railways and reaching when people naturally will go of the sewerage and water systems, Mr James Prior, Secsisters, Mr James Prior, Mr Jenkins, interviewed on ondon Weekend Television's ment, said yesterday that "we would all agree that the sooner we get on with these schemes as not making common cause to be impatient to see the Government support such ven-tures which, on present accounting methods, add to the PSBR.

There seemed little welcome for them, however, in Mrs Thatcher's resolute closing speech to the Conservative cen-tral council meeting in Cardiff on Saturday. Indeed, she seemed to spurn her dissenters in Cabinet, along with others, as fainthearts, saying: "This is "propose to cure unemployment by pay policy", but would
have his other expantionist
measures buttressed by the
most effective pay policy availgo. I ask all who have the spirit—the bold, the steadfast and the young in heart—to stand and join me as we go forward. For there is no other company in which I would travel."

She claimed that until she came to power " no one had the courage to stick at the remedy for long enough to allow it to work", and she specifically rejected the calls to stimulate demand.

She said: "In the past our people have made sacrifices, only to find at the eleventh hour their government had lost its nerve and the sacrifice had been in vain. It shall not be

in vain this time." Mr Prior, interviewed on BBC Radio's World this Weekend, professed that he knew of no move in the Conservative Party to get rid of Mrs Thatcher as leader. He said: "I want to see this

government showing more care and understanding of the problems of people, particularly in the North of England." He added: "People in the South-east often do not realize how difficult life is in the North." SDP attacked: Attacks on the Social Democrats by both Labour and Conservative leaders continued at the weekend, with the Prime Minister in the van.

"What flag do they fly", she asked, echoing Mr Michael Foot, the Opposition leader, who has accused them of flying under false colours. "Is it Socialist, ex-Socialist, don't-tell-the-Liberals-I'm-a-Socialist, or I haven't-used-that-word-for-years Socialist", she said in mocking recent utterances by the "gang of four" when she spoke in Cardiff on Saturday.

For the Labour fight-back group, known as Labour. Solidarity campaign, Mr Peter Shore, the shadow chancellor, was in anguished mood speaking at Tynemouth on Saturday. "It would be a dangerous self-deception if we did not accept first, their capacity to inflict for some time abead, substan-tial damage on the Labour

He added: "And second; the possibility if we in the Labour Party continued to conduct our. affairs in the self-damaging way of the last two years, to mount a far more formidable challenge."

From the grassroots: Ian Bradley talks to five converts to the Social Democrats' new party In search of moderation and democracy



David Mason

The Rev David Mason, aged 4, a Methodist minister and community worker in Lewisham, was a member of the Labour Party for 37 years, a former county and borough councillor and a Labour par-liamentary candidate in the last three elections.

His discontent with the His discontent had been quietly rumbling away for the we could put our own house in order but the Wembley conference utterly disillusioned "What has really pushed me out is the whole shift away from representative democracy

and the attempt to mandate elected representatives by party caucuses. That to me is wholly



James Evans

Mr James Evans, aged 51, a telephone engineer and the mayor of Islington, was a member of the Labour Party for 30 years and a councillor for 30 years and a councillor for 10.
"I haven't left the Labour Party. The Labour Party has left me. The drift has gone to the extreme."

Both local and national factors have brought about his resignation from Labour. He resignation from Labour. He cites, in particular, the imposition of a left-wing candidate in Islington, North, by the party's Greater London Regional Council, and the power given to trade unions in selecting the party leader.

Along with other moderate Labour councillors in Islington, he had already been black-listed by the party's local government committee so that he could not He remains a socialist, stand as an official Labour although he accepts a working candidate in next year's relationship with the Liberals. borough council election. candidate in next year's borough council election.



Suzanne Jones

Suzanne Jones, aged 38, the Mayor of Bridgend, was a paid-up member of the Conservative Party for ten years, and a councillor for seven.

She has left the Conservatives because "I was getting rather tired of apologizing for the party I used to believe in".

She says that the party's economic policies were the main reason for her decision to leave, with the Budget being "the last straw". She also complains of the lack of support which she received as mayor from Tory councillors. She was attracted to the

Social Democrats because there is not so much bureaucracy with them as with the other parties. They are not going to let the unions run the country. They are more in line with middle-of-the-road people". On March 17 she became the first Social Democrat mayor in the country.



Jack Richardson

Mr Jack Richardson, aged 43, the owner of five launderettes in Whitley Bay, was a
member of the Labour Party
and for two years until Feb for 21 years, a founder of the National Organization of Lab-our Students, and a member of As a delegate to Newcastle City Council since

He says: "I have heen feeling at odds with my colleagues in the Labour Party for some time. My allegiance got to breaking point when we got to this year's rents and rates rises."

After opposing the Labour group's proposal for rate increases, he says that he was expelled from the chairmanship of a workshop for the adult blind. "The ruling junta found me guilty, sentenced and executed me He hopes that the Social Democrats will end the had to identify with a party general immorality of local really represents my views. I



Christopher Cousins

Mr Christopher Cousins, ar ary was chairman of Son

As a delegate to the 19 party conference he rudely awakened at the por that existed in the hands of dezen trade union leaders, Ja any's Wembley conference of the last straw, since I tend the view that parties should run by their members".

Although the constitution issue was the major reason his leaving the Labour Pa he is also very unhappy ab the proposals for further nat alization.

He believes that the party provides "the first opp

Mr Powell's warning of a civil war under attack

Mr Enoch Powell's renewed prophesy that a racial civil war in Britain could be avoided or limited only by a "re-emigration" of the coloured popula-tion, on the scale of the initial immigration, was yesterday castigated by Mr Roy Hattersley. Labour spokesman on home affairs, who accused Mr Powell of using "Munich beer hall language".

Mr Hattersley said vesterday that many politicians would be ashained of Mr Powell. His speech would incite attacks on ethnic minorities who in turn would fear that the Establish-

ment would never accept them. Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State at the Home Office, is considering giving a rebuttal to Mr Powell's contentions when he appears at Tuesday's meeting of the Commons standality Bill.

Mr Hattersley added: "When he talks of re-emigration he is talking of the departure from

of Sparkbrook.

"What possible reason is there for supposing that the black child in my constituency will grow up as a threat to the ordered and stable society that we all want to see while the white child next door does not?"

not?
"There is no balanced, logical objective reason for talking of a black threat. Talk of civil war is lurid nonsense, the product of nothing more rational than Mr Powell's fervid imagi-nation. But talking about it in the way he does has terrible

Mr Powell, in a speech on Saturday to Young Conserva-

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Asbton-under-Lyne. Manchester, com-Creater plained of the "conspiracy of silence" between Government

and Opposition over the fru-spective growth through births here of the coloured popularion.
""We have seen nothing yet"
is a phrase that we could with
advantage repeat to ourselves whenever we try to form a picture of that future", Mr Powell said. He challenged the Government to say whether it accepted that in the foreseeable

future the proportion of the coloured population would be a third and more in London and other big cities.
Mr Powell said the blame for Parliament's failure to debate the question lay, too, with every voter "who dreads what I dread but who has failed to do what is in his power

ible step." Mr Powell did not explain in his speech what that step was. However he told The Times

was referring to the matter, to the constituent's right to demand that his MP take it up.

British, black British, black British, but no less British for that.

"There can be no question of their going home. They are home already", Mr Hattersley said at Birmingham Town Hall, which is near his constituency of Sparkbrook.

"What possible reases here for super-

hampton to assert that already "one third of the existing youngest generation" there was coloured.

Challenging the public mood which he detected as "it's too late to do anything", Mr Powell said he saw no reason to depart from his view, long held and expressed, "that at some point along the line of growth, absolute and proportionate, of the Commonwealth population in London and the other English cities affected, there lies the certainty of viol-ence on a scale which can only

adequately be described as civil

The most striking "omin ous" feature of the current scene which Mr Powell detected was "the increase of deliberate attacks, both moral and physical, upon the police".

Mr Powell suggested that although "many in authority" were aware of the danger of "the outcome" only when "the reality of the danger is infinitely clearer and more imminent than now" might his proposed "re-emigration" be contemplated by any govern-

Mr Powell's one proposal was that the citizens "make" their MPs talk. The Government must be challenged to refute the Powellite argument or accept it " and tell us what sort of a London, a Britain, a Parliament a nation this is going

Mr Hattersley challenged Mr Powell to say to the British-born: "Would be like them to re-emigrate to a country they have never seen whose language they cannot speak and whose customs they have never known?" He said that any Pakistani mugged by skinheads "will believe that Mr Powell was in part responsible. . ."

"Hitler's way": Mr David Lane, chairman of the Commission for Racial Equality, said Mr Powell was really talking about the expulsion of large

numbers of people (Lucy Hodges writes).

"That was the way of Hitler's Germany and Stalin's Russia, and is totally foreign to all Britain's traditions of toleration and humanity." There were many encourag-

ing developments in race relations, he said, and things were not helped by "Mr Powell's irresponsible intervention". He thought Britain would avoid serious racial violence, "but if ever it occurs, Mr Powell, with his lurid and inflammatory language, will bear heavy blame".

Miners want a say in coal board cash limits By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

The mining industry faces new trouble over what miners' leaders consider to be Cabinet attempts to rob them of the fruits of their victory over government financial policy on the National Coal Board.

The National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) insists on being involved in the setting of new, higher cash limits for the coal board of about £1,400m for 1981-82, more than £500m more than ministers planned before last month's pit strike

But Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, has sought to curtail the role of the miners to discussions on the two immediate issues that triggered widespread unofficial stoppages : pit closures and the scaling-down of coal imports.

Leaders of the NUM and the other two unions representing colliery deputies and management will make clear their keenness to take part in plan-ning the overall financial framepolicy advisory committee tomorrow.

In the tripartite Governmentcoal board-union machinery set up by the Labour Government after the 1974 strike, which is less favoured by the Thatcher administration, the energy minister has agreed to state aid being provided to be a provided to the company being provided to keep open the 23 pits originally threatened with accelerated closure and to finance substitution for ported coal.

But Mr Howell has insisted that all the other issues be dealt with in bipartisan deal-ings between his ministry and the coal board. They include state aid for financing coal stocks under EEC rules, subsi-dies for coking coal production, and the industry's enhanced cash limit for 1981-82.

The Government argues that it remains committed to the agreed in 1974, but with the new financial year only two days off, the coal board has not yet been told how much capital ir can spend on developing



Farewell kiss: The Prince of Wales and Lady work of the coal board at a Diana Spencer at Heathrow yesterday when the meeting of the industry's joint Prince left for a tour Court Circular page 14 Prince left for a tour. Court Circular, page 14.

Death after helmet protest

A motor cyclist aged 22 died near Gosport, to an open air in a road accident less than an meeting in Southampton, bour after part in a protest. He was killed instantly while

bour after part in a protest He was killed instantly while against the law forcing motor returning home when his cyclists to wear crash belinets. machine and a car collided near

hour-long ride from Stokes Bay, crash happened.

Accused MI6 officer' daughter makes plea to Mrs Thatcher

By Stewart Tendler

spying for Nazi Germany and possibly the Russians, has written to the Prime Minister ask-ing her to comment on the accusations.

According to Mr Chapman Pincher in his book, Their Trade is Treachery, published last week, Mr Ellis confessed to working for Germany when he was interrogated in 1965. He was second in command to Sir William Stephenson in coordinating British and American intelligence work during the Second World War. Yesterday his daughter, who

does not wish to be named, said that until Mr Ellis's death in 1975 he remained a close friend of many M16 men. Her collection of his papers includes warm letters from Sir Maurice Oldfield, a former head of MIS, who died recently including one extending birthday greetings when Mr Ellis became 80.

The correspondence continued until shortly before Mr Ellis died and the service had made Mr Ellis a loan during his retirement.

His daughter, a widow, said: "It is curious Sir Maurice would have continued a friendly relationship when he (Mr Ellis)

was 'in disgrace'. A number The daughter of Mr Charles senior officers came to Ellis, the former MI6 officer who was accused last week of wice and I saw Sir Mau vice and I saw Sir Mau myself later." She disputed a number of

events surrounding the "fession" as described by Pincher. In his book Pincher said that Mr Ellis gene home to Australia MIS investigations gathe momentum, claiming to su from heart trouble. She was close to her fa

at the time and said that he have heart trouble and the Mr Pincher wrote that Ellis faced betrayal in Austi because of a Russian dete there and he revered his pl returning to Britain ostens

His daughter said that Ellis could not have given s an excuse, since he did meet the woman he later ried until he returned. He passionately pro-American. Mr Pincher said Mr Ellis

a close friend of Philby but daughter disputes that. A former member of MI6 at the weekend that Mr E himself had told him of his terrogation.

No mention was made of confession.

Murder charge

An office fitter, aged 21. from Sheldon, Birmingham, was charged on Saturday with the Mr Tim Marsh, of Thorney Fareham.

Avenue, Fareham, Hampshire, Was among 1,500 protestors who refused to wear helmets on an wearing his helmet when the He was also charged with causwas found in the hoot of a burnt-out car in Birmingham. ling criminal damage

Aircraft crashes

ling the runway.

Two people were critic craft crashed at Luton airp last night, but seven or escaped serious injury.
The aircroft, arriving h
Lagos, crashed after oversh

Fuel savers fail to impress AA

By Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent

Motorists hoping to beat the hudget petrol price increase by fitting fuel economy devices to their cars will probably be wasting their money, according to the Automobile Association. The AA has records of more than 150 such devices but has yet to find one that justifies the claims made for it. None of the products tested by the AA under controlled conditions has given consistent fuel savings

of more than 3 per cent. It says that savings of that order are hardly worth baving, particularly when the motorist has to pay up to £50 for the device. Similar, or greater, improvements would be improvements would be obtained by maintaining the fuel and ignition systems in perfect

The AA is so sceptical of

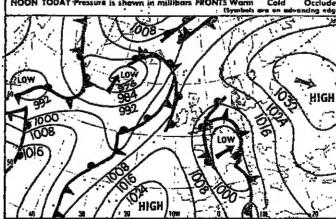
these devices that it will not consider them for its seal of approval scheme.

Mr A. W. Sims, the AA technical services manager, says motorists wanting more miles to the gallon should keep their

The need for creater economy is underlined by the latest AA estimate of motoring costs, compiled since the budget increase in petrol and vehicle excise duty. They suggest that a car in the one-litre to 1500 cc class driven 10,000 miles will now cost its owner £2,143 a

account insurance, depreciation, petrol, scrvicing and repairs and the interest earned if the money which bought the car had been invested instead.

Weather forecast and recordings



. 7.30 pm

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scot-land: dry; sunny periods; wind N light; maximum temp 13° to 15°C (55° to 59°F). Sum sets :

Moon rises: Moon sets:
4.05 am 12.48 pm
New moon: April 4.
Lighting up: 8.0 pm to 6.09 am.
High water: London Bridge 9.05
am, 5.5m; 9.30 pm, 5.5m. Avonmouth 1.46 am, 9.6m; 2.29 pm,
9.6m. Dover 6.27 am, 4.9m; 7.24
pm. 5m. Hull 1.35 am, 5.5m;
2.13 pm, 5.6m. Liverpool 6.49
am, 7.1m; 7.34 pm, 7m.
Ift=0.3048m 1m=3.2808tt.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
Pressure will be low over S
Britain with weakening troughs
but a ridge of high pressure will
persist over Scotland.
London, central S, central N
and SW England, Midlands, Chainnel Islands, S Wales: Rather
cloudy at first with patchy fog;
sunny intervals; showers in
places; wind N moderate; maximum temp 13° to 16°C (55° to
61°F).
East Anglia. SE and E England: 15°C (55° to 59°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Dry; sunny periods but dull and misty maximum temp 10° to 11°C (50° to 52°F). Colder near coasts.

Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyl, ti Ireland: Dry; early mist or fog patches; sunny periods; wind variable light: maximum temp 13° to 14°C (55° to 57°F). (55' to 57'F). NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shet. ME, MY Scottano, Orkney, Snet-land: Generally dry, sunny inter-vals to most places: wind S to SW moderate to fresh: Max temp 9' to 11°C (48' to 52°F).

Today

61°F).
East Anglia, SE and E England:
Dull and misty near coasts; bright
or sunny intervals in places;
occasional showers, perhaps thunder: wind NE light to moderate; maximum temp 13° to 16°C 55° to 61°F).

English Channel (E); While Street in strong; sea rough.
St George's Channel Irish Sea;
Wind NE hecoming variable light to moderate; sea slight. WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thundrstorm.

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Mostly dry tomorrow with sundy intervals but cloudier

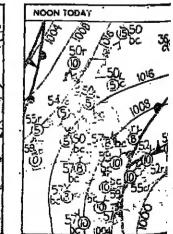
with sunny intervals but cloudier weather and some rain expected in W parts on Wednesday; Rather

warm in many places.

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Strait of Dover: Wind NE moderate or fresh, locally strong; sea moderate, locally rough.

English Channel (E): Wind N fresh in strong; sea rough.

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a completely inconspicuous form
and the public should know
about it." If you, like so many
people today, can hear sounds
(sometimes only too well!) but
have difficulty in understanding
every word—particularly in
crowds or groups conversations.

12 score the maximum in crosswords

By Edmund Akenhead Crossword Editor In the second regional final of the Langs Supreme-Times National Crossword Championship at the George Hotel. Edinburgh, vesterday, 12 of the 91 competitors achieved maximum

puzzle points of 124 for the four

crosswords, their order heing determined by time bonus The winner and regional champion was Mr Roger Hartill, theatre business manager, of Edinburgh, who scored 82 time bonus points. The Rev Colin Morton, of Prestonpans, and Mr master, of Glasgow, were joint runners-up, each scoring 74 time bonus points, while fourth place was achieved by Mr Hugh Kilpatrick, with 73 time bonus

Prizes were presented by Mrs Lindsay Ramsey on behalf of Langs Supreme Scotch Whisky. The winner and joint runnersup will represent Edinburgh at the national final in September.

A call for the resignation of Mr Edward Lyons, QC, MP for Bradford, West, who left the Labour Party last week to join the Social Democrats, was made last night at the annual meeting of the constituency Labour

MP urged to resign

Civil Service dispute will affect courts

out on strike for three or five called the "provocative" role days as part of the campaign of the Army in the dispute. selective stoppages against the has written to the Secre-binet pay policy towards the tary of State for Defence and vil Service. In addition, sheriff courts in Civil Service, asking what con-Cabinet pay policy towards the Civil Service. In addition, sheriff courts in

Glasgow and Edinburgh will continue to be affected by strikes and the Council of Civil Service Unions (COCSU) is digging in for a long fight against the Government, Mr William Kendall, general sec-retary of COCSU, says in a letter to The Times that the Government's inactivity indi-cates "neither concern nor urgency ". Some travellers using Heath-

row airport over the weekend missed their flights when immigration officers operated only a skeleton staff in support of the union pay campaign, Long queues built up in the largely domestic terminal 1 on Satur-day and in the European terminal 2 yesterday. The court officers' action

will disrupt crown courts in big provincial cities such as

By Our Labour Editor

Many civil and criminal the Central Criminal Court and courts in England and Wales the Law Courts in the Strand will not be affected, nor will be affected, nor will be affected. civil servants intensify their magistrates' courts whose staff

industrial action in pursuit of belong to a rival, non-TUC association which is not inrestoration of salary comparability machinery.

Court officers in a wide range of county and crown courts in all parts of Britain demanded the dismissal of except London have been called those responsible for what he out on strike for three or five called the propogative? role

nexion exists between the two departments in the dispute: "I want to know who gave authority for the use of the Milton Bridge Army training camp to handle mail addressed to the Johand Brandan at Comments of the Milton Brandan Brandan at Comments of the Milton Brandan Brandan Brandan at Comments of the Milton Brandan Branda to the Inland Revenue at Cumbernauld, Whoever authorized this provocative action should be sacked."

Army explanation: On the Milton Bridge incident, the Army said: "No military staff were in any way involved with handling anybody's mail". The Army had received a request from the Property Services Agency for the temporary use of accommodation for another government department. That resulted in the loan of a hur at the training camp which was used last Wednesday for mail.

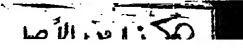
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cars properly tuned and drive them gently, "as though there is an egg under your right foot".

For a car between 1500 cc and two litres, the figure rises to £2,625 a year, and for a car in the two to three-litre class to £3,923. Even the smallest cars, those below 1000 cc. are now costing £1,884 a year to

London: Temp: max 6 am tr pm, 19°C (56°F): min 6 pm tr em 11°C (52°F). Humudity 6 f 55 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 f nil. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 10.1 Sur, 25 hr to 6 pm, 10.1 Sur, mean sta level. 6 pm 1.00 millibars rising.

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CTOCY Ivil Service union faces political lash as left-wingers seek to verturn moderate appointments

your Editor

political dispute has ken out inside the largest il. Service union over sointments to senior jobs and inew system of electing sonal officials.

elewing condidates for the and general treasurer of Civil and Public Services ociation are appealing to the on's annual conference in the objection in May to overturn ointments recommended by moderate-dominated execu-

he dispute has surfaced in ** ublished background powers

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** rges of "political motivation amining the outcome of the ction process" and counter-rges of "allegiances to cergroups "

To le Peter Thomason, a leading to winger, is appealing to eigates to overthrow the pulite's decision to appoint moderate rival. Mr John 4, at deputy general secre-. He argues that "political cle and beliefs" made a tal mockery" of the selec-

fi; wife, Mrs Jean Thomason, asking the conference to ect the executive choice of John Raywood for general nurer on the ground that belection committee had osed their minds" against candidature.

he latest saga in the comx internal politics of the 2.000-member association is

MP opposes

ension tax

n widows

respondent he Prime Minister has been

ed to take steps to stop lows and single women aged ween 60 and 64 having to tax on their retirement and

duated pensions for the first

ir Jeffrey Rooker, Labour

for Birmingham, Perry r, and spokesman on social

urity, says in a letter ased today that he is sure was ununtentional that they uld be caught in the tax net a result of the Budger.

he anomaly has been created

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il tax allowances. Treasury isters have conceded in partentary answers to Mr

ker that it will mean women

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omen pensioners over the of 65 will not be caught in

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ir Rooker points out in his

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Pat Healy rial Services

deputy general secretary, gen- mockery of the application and

right "if it so choses, using procedures which they think fix" to advise members for whom they should vote.

That reform package will be put first to the delegates at the conference, but informed opinion suggests that it will fail to win the required two-thirds majority to become part of the association's constitution.

to adjudicate on the rancorous difference of opinion among the union's full-time officials. In the paper detailing the appeal the paper detailing the appeal of Mr Thomason, an assistant secretary of the union, the executive says of his complaint about "political motivations": "He has been involved in the association for a number of years and should, therefore, be well aware of the powerful influences which from time to time are brought to hear on its policies. He has benefited in the past from certain of these past from certain of these influences and should not now complain if those pressures are no longer influential."

In his appeal, Mr Thomason says of the ruling moderate faction; "I do not object to any group or faction using its political muscle and beliefs in terms of the policies they pursue, but I do object to them ther complicated by a abusing their powers in select-kage of proposals from the ing candidates for the senior

By Hugh Clayton

fast cereals.

Agriculture Correspondent

A Government survey published today suggests that the recession is forcing families to cut their spending on food. The latest National Food Survey shows that households are less beef butter and best less

beef, butter and bacon last year than in 1979, and bought more cheese, margarine and break-

Consumption of beef through-out 1980 was the lowest since 1976. By the end of last year

demand for margarine exceeded that for butter for the first time for almost 25 years.

While the cost of food rose

While the cost of food rose by 9½ per cent in the 12 months to the end of 1930, the amount spent on it by British families increased by only 8 per cent. The survey of almost 2,000 households showed that average weekly spending a head on food fell last year from £7.36 late in the summer to £7.25 by the end of the year.

That is greater than the usual

seasonal drop in the second half

Labour Staff
The National Union of Jour-

nalists' executive voted yester-

day to give qualified approval

with the printing industry's

Graphica! Association.
It thereby cleared the way
in principle for formal discussions with the NGA in an emergency resolution recalling the
NUJ's policy in favour of a
single union for the media-

At the same time, however,

addendum insisting on prior talks to resolve what it defines

as a serious breakdown in com-munications with the NGA and

calling for a "picket pact".
That addendum is understood

to have been passed by the NUJ's executive committee des-

pite the opposition of Mr Ken-neth Ashton, the union's gene-ral secretary, Mr Francis

Beckett, the outgoing president, and Mr Harry Conroy, his ex-

executive approved an

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future merger discussions

union, the National

Families spending less

on food, survey finds

deputy general secretary, general treasurer and assistant general secretary should be elected by a secret ballot of the entire numbership.

Under the formula being put to the conference, anyone with five years' membership or serfive years' membership or service with the union could stand for those senior jobs, but the national executive reserves the sink wife in the property of the p also an assistant secretary, says: "I also felt that a majority of the selection committee had already, prior to the interview, closed their minds to

any other candidate than Mr Raywood." Mr Raywood Raywood." Mr Raywood acknowledges that the association is "a highly political union "but disavows "present or past allegiances to certain groups" in the union.

The left-right battle will also be joined over avacuation.

Delegates will then be asked to adjudicate on the rancorous difference of opinion among the union's full-time officials. In the paper detailing the appear of Mr Thomason, an assistant secretary of the union, the executive says of his complaint about "political motivations": "He has been involved in the association for a number of years and should, therefore, be well aware of the nowerful The left-right battle will also be joined over executive proposals for the election of time officers. After last year's conference carried, by a narrow majority on a card vote, a proposal that the regular election of full-time officials would be a step towards furthering democracy, the union's leaders have determined that there is "no overwhelming argument" for such a practice Instead, they recommend

Instead, they recommend that the four senior jobs be open for election, and if the conference rejects this policy, it is likely to go to a referendum of the membership.

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"What we have proposed will not sarisfy those who believe that all full-time officers should be subject to regular election", the executive paper concedes. "This we have rejected because trade with a subject to result the subject to regular election to the subject to result the subject to result the subject to result the subject to the subj jected because trade union ex-perience generally does not point in this direction but even more importantly such a system would not provide the stability kage of proposals from the ing candidates for the senior and continuity of experience cutive suggesting that the professional posts within the our union needs with its conon's general secretary, union. This makes a total stantly changing membership."

of the year, and is attributable partly to the good fruit and vegetable harvest on farms and

in home gardens. But the sur-

vey also suggests that house-holders were trying to cut their shopping bills by reducing pur-chases of items that appeared to be costly when compared with alternatives

The survey shows that families spent less on bacon, lamb, pork and meat pies in the

winter than late in the summer,

suggests that while the recession is forcing families to

change their eating habits, there is still an underlying trend away from traditional

Dr Elizabeth Nelson, manag-ing director of the Taylor Nel-

son marker research company, said that eating habits were being shaped by the growing number of single-person and single-parent households, and

Special report on food, inset

pected successor, who are said to take the view that it could hamper the progress of merger

Both recommendations will

20 forward to the union's

week in Norwich.

annual delegate meeting this

In the event of a positive outcome to talks on liaison between the two unions, the

possibility of formal merger discussions remains alive.

The characteristically ambiguous stance in which yesterday's two resolutions leave the 32,000 members of the NUI

reflects tension between the union's leading officials and an

uneasy alliance between the right-wing and left-wing mili-

in executive elections to be connunced today, Mr Mark

announced today, Mr Mark Khan and Mr Gabriel Bowman

were elected for Central Lon-don branch, and Mr Anthony

Craig was reelected to represent the London Freelance

by a desire to eat more

Independent market research

with alternatives.

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Go-ahead for merger talks

between media unions



Mermaid opening: Lord Miles, founder of the Mermaid Theatre, ourside the new exterior of the theatre as building workers my to complete the interior in time for the reopening in July (Martin Huckerby writes). While all the construction work has been completed, a large part of the fitting-out and equipping of the building has still to be done; the auditorium and stage are little more than a shell. Lord Miles said the theatre would be ready to reopen on July 7, although all the work on the building would not be finished by then. The Mermaid is being enlarged and partly rebuilt within a new office development on the site overlooking the Thames at Blackfriars, in the City of London. The size of the stage has been doubled and 110 extra seats have been added, as have spacious dressing rooms. Despite the

additional seating, the Mermaid remains a relatively small theatre and its future will depend particularly on the size of subsidies from the Arts Council and the City of London Corporation. Lord Miles would not say how much had been offered for the opening season and discussions are continuing about the exact amounts in the hope that more money may be forthcoming. If the ambitious plans for the opening season are to be carried through successfully, the Mermaid must gain extra revenue by transferring productions into commercial theatres in the West End. Lord Miles said particular candidates were the American play, Children of a Lesser God, by Mark Medoff, the revival of the highly-successful comedy Lock Up Your Daughters, and the British premiere of Stephen Soudheim's musical, Pacific Overtures.

Dean backs Lennon peace festival

From Our Correspondent Liverpool

The Dean of Liverpool, the Very Rev Edward Patey, yester-day rebuked fellow churchmen who criticized the Anglican Cathedral's festival of peace in memory of John Lennon, the former Beatle, who was shot dead in New York kast Decem-

Protests were sent to Buck-ingham Palace and the Arch-bishop of Canterbury about the cathedral's decision to hold the festival. They claimed that Lennon led people away from religion and criticized him for taking drugs.

In an address to gation of two thousand at the ticket-only festival the Dean spoke in favour of the musician. who was born in Liverpool.

He said : "Some people tried to stop us having this service. John Lennon, they said, was a bad influence on a whole generation with his drugs, sex and his disrespect of authority. I suspect they also did not like him because he was successful, because he was rich and because he was young.

"Even if all they said of him was true, I still believe it is a right and good thing that we do in this cathedral. For this building is dedicated in honour of Jesus Christ who was always more ready to side with the off-bear and the way out than the respectable and the orthodox."

Tape recordings of Lennon's songs "Imagine" and "Revolusoings magnic and the St George Singers sang "The Fool on the Hill", "Eleanor Rigby " and "Yesterday".

A rival festival in the city organized by Mr Alan Williams, the former manager of the Beatles, attracted more than two thousand people. It was staged at the Cavern Club site, in Matthew Street, where the Beatles once stayed.



Sir Ian Trethowan, director-general of the BBC, last night urged the Government to allow the 18,500,000 television licence payers to have the option of paying by weekly as well as by monthly instalments.

With the BBC's drive for a £50 annual colour licence fee in mind. Sir Ian told listeners to Radio Luxembourg that that would mean £1 a week or just over £4 a month.

Sir Ian said the BBC attached cormous importance to allowing payment in smaller amounts. The way the public pays for independent television, which is through the supermar-

ket checkout, is so much less painful", he said. He rejected demands that I should be run by commercial operators.

"Radio 1 is of special import ance because it is the one point in the BBC's output at which we consistently meet young Ronald Biggs, the fugitive train rubber facing extradition proceedings in Barbados after hire of the yacht, said he was paid the normal charter fee of \$3,000 a week but did not know who was the paymaster in the Biggs kidnapping. his bizarre kidnapping in Brazil,

'Take me off the hook'

appeal by Mr Biggs

is appealing for a pardon.

kidnappers. He said: "I do not think the

threats are directed at me. I was not involved, I just hap-pened to be the skipper of the

rehabilitate me-but I am rehabilitated totally."

ing of his 30-year sentence.

oat that they chartered."

In his autobiography, pub-ished today, Mr Biggs, aged it, says: "I think the time "I was paid be my usual agents but I do not know where the money came from", he said. "The first thing I long overdue for me to be

aken off the hook ".

The appeal coincides with the knew was when they presented Biggs to me just after we left Brazil. I was flabbergasted". arrival in London yesterday of Mr Thorfinn Maciver, captain of the yacht which smuggled him out of Brazil. Mr Maciver, During the trip to Earbados damage was caused to the boat which could have forced them aged 25, from Edinburgh, who claims he did nor know Mr Biggs was on board, suid he was not worried by underworld threats to take revenge on the

which could have forced them to return to Brazil.

He said: "There was a mystery electrical failure which cut the power and then water poured in through the bilges but I spotted both faults and they were repaired. I am reluctant to say it was definitely Biggs but a lot of equipment was easy to get at and he was not really beld captive. Most of the time he spent on the deck sunning himself."

In his book Mr Biggs says that in the 14 years since his escape from Wandsworth "nine Former wife writes: Mr Biggs's were spent looking over my shoulder to see if Old Bill was lurking behind. former wife said on Saturday that she was waiting to hear from him and might join him in England. (Douglas Aiton writes from Melbourne.) Mrs Charmain Brent, who lives in the Melbourne suburb "Only someone who has been

a fugitive from justice as I bave been all these years can know the torture of uncertainty of Doncaster with her two sons, Christopher, aged 18, and Fur-ley, aged 14, made a statement after Mr Biggs was reported as saying in Barbados that he and insecurity that this existence brings."

He adds: "I most certainly have been punished for my crime and punished in plenty. What is the point of putting me back in Wandsworth? To wanted to remarry her.

The statement read: "Of course we are concerned about Ron's welfare. We are still his family. If he wants a reassess-Admitting that he misses England, for its Alars bars, ment of our feelings for each other, we will have to meet sgain. I hope this will be jellied eels, tea and beer, he says his longing is not so great that he would give himself up to serve the 28 years remain-

Ronald Biggs. My Own Story (Michael Joseph, £7.95), Mr Maciver, who said he had returned to London to "sort Leading article, page 13

Jobs growth factor in brewery site inquiry

By Our Planning Reporter

A public inquiry begins to-morrow into plans to redevelup the former Courage Brewery site in the centre of Reading. Its outcome will be of more than Jocal interest and could have a significant effect on future population and employment growth in south and south-east England. The site occupies some 14 acres on either side of Bridge

Street, adjoining the River Kennett. On the larger west side. Courage plans to add 80,000 sq fr to their existing offices and to sell the rest for housing and recreational use. It is the land on the east side that is the subject of controversy. Courage has applied to build 247,500 sq ft of offices for sale, but Reading District Council has refused to give permission for more than 100,000 sq ft, on the grounds anything larger would itute overdevelopment constitute overdevelopment and would go against its policy

the town. Mr Peter Oswald, of Savilles, 100,000 sq ft would be hope-

lessly uneconomic.

riverside walk, paths to connect the town centre with the river and so on, and the site will just become more and more derelict.

According to Mr Oswald, negotiations are in an advanced stage with Trafalgar House, which wants to undertake the development. He has no doubts about being able to let the space. South of a line from Bristol

to London, demand for office and, in some cases, factory space is still remarkably high, despite the recession, he says. "This is where the new technological industries all want to move to, and we are not grasp-ing the opportunities. Several of the Conservatives

on the council have said it is time Reading faced the fact that it is a strategically important town. But it is the Liberals and Labour who are doing the blocking." The council's attitude has un-

doubtedly been conditioned by its fury at the county council's sion for 350,000 sq ft of speculative offices on the site of the estate agents who are advising its former headquarters. That ing on the project, insists that is all the more ironic in view of the fact that the county has strongly resisted attempts by "If we do not get the go- Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary shead, the council will lose all of State for the Environment, the amenities which we have to make provision for an extra proposed, a leisure centre, a 70,000 households by 1990.

Stronger protection for moorland has been resisted

Countryside Bill for Lords today

By John Young Planning Reporter

Having survived, resisted or admitted more then 550 amend-ments, the Government's Wildments, the Government's Wildlife and Countryside Bill
receives its third reading in the
House of Lords today. It is
likely to be introduced in the
Commons before Easter, despite
doubt over the extent to which
members of the lower house
will find the time or energy to
try to unrave! what their lordships have, over many weeks,
put together.

On the more contentious

On the more contentious issues, the Government has settled for what can best be described as a favourable draw it has successfully overruled attempts to give stronger pro-pection to moorland and to out-standing beauty spots, referred to, in rather unhappy jargon, as "sites of special scientific interest".
It was defeated on the ques-

tion of footpath closures, and on the so-called Sandford amendment, which deals with the possible withholding of agricultural grants, something that could prove to have far reaching effects.
The Bill, initially regarded as a sideshow to the Government's

main legislative programme has aroused deep feelings among landowners and farmers, who see their way of life threatened by bureaucracy, and on the other hand, among a surpris-ingly large part of the general public concerned for the pro-tection of the familiar character

and appearance of the country-

One man who is not surprised at the intensity of the debate is Mr Robin Grove-White, the nuewly appointed director of the Council for the Protection of Rural England. He believes that the public concern is genuine, and he rejects any idea that the conservationalist lobby wealthy landowners.

The main point of issue be-tween conservationists and the farming-landowning lobby has been on the question of compul-sory powers. The Government remains committed to the belief that the best way of protecting sites of special scientific interest is through voluntary agreements with the owners. Neither side sees compulsion

as the best answer. Both appear to believe that there is a com-mon ground which can be reached, without what Mr James Douglas, director gen-eral of the Country Laudowners Association, refers to as a potential new bureaucracy.

He says: "Do you discipline 95 per cent of farmers and landowners for the sake of the

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they please? I do not think it can be part of a landowner's philosophy to be anti-conservarionist. It is incompatible with

Mr Barney Holbeach, parlia-mentary secretary of the National Furmers' Union, is re-luctant to forecast whether voluntary agreements will work. "It is up to the Nature Conservancy Council, but we are prepared to be cooperative." Landowners on Exmont are

on the whole, very conscientious people", he maintains. "If anyone steps out of line, the others will come down on him like a ton of bricks." One of the main stumbling

blocks, he says, has been the lack of adequate compensation for farmers who agree not to put moorland under the olough. But, after 18 months of negotiation, agreement has now been reached, and the details are to be published next week.

The CPRE has been closely involved in the Exmoor dispute, and Mr Grove-White still regrets that the Bill does not proconservation orders. Even if the Exmoor agree-

ment is successful, many other upland areas of England and Wales remain threatened, he 5 per cent renegades who feel says.

T30/3

il for former ldier on sault charge

hn Miller, aged 35, a for-soldier, who returned from ados to face an assault se, was released on bail by e in London on Saturday. was remanded until April nd ordered to live at his in Kensington. Miller is accused of causictual bodily harm to Ross bolt at Mortons, a West club, on December 6.

First World War film in project to save newsreels By Kenneth Cosling

A scheme to preserve large quantities of newsreel material shot by two of the biggest com-panies, Pathé and Movietone, has been started by the British Film Institute for the National Film Archive. The first dozen cans of Path&

material, dating from the end of the First World War, and featuring the victory parade and the Versailles treaty, has arrived at the institute and represents the first batch in what will be a programme in

she first year of converting 50,000 feet of unstable nitrate film on to safety stock. That is about 10 per cent of the Pathé collection of about five million feet.

Mean of converting last Wednesday that the huge collections of Pathé and Movietone would eventually become someone's responsibility to preserve. "We are deeply worried about the future of these", he Mr Roger Whitney, the insti-

tute's documentary films officer, explained that the archive's resources were stretched in dealing with the present nitrate conversion programme which is planned to continue until the end of the century. Mr Athony Smith, director of that it does get preserved. They the institute, said in a speech, will lend the originals and pay

Mr Whitney said that in terms of the main programme, they could make only a tiny dent in an enormous library such as Pathe's. "There is cooperation between them as a commercial library and ourselves to ensure

In parallel with the institute's scheme, there would be a simi-lar project by the Imperial War Museum which will process film shor during the two world

balloon for peace in the

wars. The museum has about thirty million feet from various sources, but Mr Clive Coultass, keeper of the film department, said the Pathé stock would help to fill gaps in the collection. Newsreels started to disap-pear from the cinemas in the late 1950s

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Pupils 'leaving school | Polish crisis stops US lifting Soviet grain embargo early' because of benefit rules change

Education Correspondent

Sheffield Bupils who had intended to take public examinations this summer, had decided to leave early in the supplementary benefit rules, the Secondary Heads

Association said vesterday.

Mr Donald Frith, general secretary of the association, which represents three fifths of the heads of secondary schools, said that the union had made strong representations to Lady Young, Minister of State for Education and Science, about the changes. They meant that a pupil who left school in the mady pupils was having a debilitating effect on their school work.

"The children most directly affected are those whose doubts summer term would no longer be able to start receiving bene-fit, if unemployed, until Sep-tember 1, instead of immedi-ately after leaving school as had been the case for summer leavers, and was still the case

for Easter leavers. will see little point in preparing for it." The association had warned the minister that that would act as an incentive to pupils who reached their sixteenth birthday before January 31, to leave at the end of the Easter term, as they were entitled to do, rather than stay on to take CSE examinations. But Lady Young had said she did not believe there was a problem. Now the association had clear

evidence from early returns to a survey of all its members that pupils were leaving early as a result of the changes. The number so far ranged from one pupil in one school to 25 in another, all of whom had intended to take CSEs.

Many parents were still unaware of the changes. It was a real dilemma for heads whether to tell them, and risk their withdrawing their children before the examinations, or not to tell them, and risk a net loss to the family of more than £200 in benefit over the five months from April to Septem-

An unemployed 16-year-old is under-staffed school subjects eligible for £15.25 a week, if the (the Press Association reports).

By Mark Jackson of The Times Educational

unemployment

threatening to overtake the big expansion of the schemes for

the young tobless that the Gov-

crament has authorized for this

year. Officials in charge of the

programme fear that it may

500,000 young people in the next 12 months.

mission has been given nearly 270m to provide for up to

640,000 entrants to its youth apportunities programme in the

financial year which is just beginning. But its regions say

they will need to accommodate

The commission's senior offi-

cials have told its special pro- rized.

at least another 40,000.

Mr Paisley

plans new

campaign

From a Staff Reporter

The Rev Ian Paisley con-uded his "Carson trail" allies on Saturday with a

march by 30,000 people to

It was a more impressive

turnout than most of the organizers had expected. The scries of 11 rallies throughout

Northern Ireland during the

past seven weeks against the Dublin-London dialogue has not drawn large crowds by Ulster

Mr Paisley's campaign was given a fillip last week by Mr Brian Lenihan, the Irish Forcign Minister, who said there could be Irish unity in five or 10 years

Mr Paisley said he plans another phase in his campaign but would not give details. He told his supporters: "I have a

plan and I am going to put it into operation. You will be

called on to make the necessary

sacrifices so that it will not

Mr Paisley's next big test

will be the local elections in May, in which he hopes to establish himself as the most nopular Protestant leader in the

He told the crowd on Satur-

republicans, he had left a letter with his lawyer containing details of "the British Govern-ment plan to get rid of me".

Rowever, he thought that God

Belfast

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province.

The Mannower Services Com-

Supplement

Rise in young jobless

have to find room for nearly the year.

500.000 young people in the The board is recommending

may overtake plans

family is not already receiving supplementary benefit. Mr Frith, who was speaking

before the opening of the asso ciation's annual meeting in Sheffield, said he expected that many more children would be induced to leave school early next year when the rule change became more widely known. Mrs Molly Hattersley said in her presidential address to

of unemployment now facing

about their own capabilities; often reinforced by the value judgments of others, weakened their motivation at the best of

times. If they see no place for them in the world of work, they

The association had long

supported the introduction of maintenance grants for 16 to 19-year-olds who remained in

wise for a country which is seeking economic regeneration

at a time of unparalleled change, to look for short-term savings by reducing its invest-ment in the talents and abilities

of those whose skills, aptitudes and enthusiasm are essential to

its future prosperity and stability."

Recruitment plea: The National Association of Head Teachers

yesterday urged the Govern-

ment to extend its scholarship scheme for recruiting urgently

needed mathematics and sci

grammes board that that may be an underestimate. But they

give a warning that the Govern-ment is unlikely to allocate any

more money yet to the pro-

gramme and may not do so even if the worst fears turn out to be

justified. That means they fear that a full-scale expansion

might mean heavy cuts later in

the Manpower Services commis-sioners to increase the pro-gramme to 450,000 entrants now

and to plan for a big emergency

That would repeat the pattern of the past 12 months during which 324,000 young people

have passed through the pro-gramme, nearly half as many

again as were originally autho-

Nationalist

seems likely

Nominations close today for

the Fermanagh and South Tyrone by-election and it looked

last night as though the nationalist voce would be split

three, and possibly four, ways.
Unless there is a quick agreement to reduce the number of contenders, the chances of Mr

Robert Sands, the IRA hunger

striker, being elected are ex-tremely remote.

Mrs Bernadette McAliskey is standing aside in favour of Mr

Sands but Mr Noel Maguire,

brother of the late pro-republi-

can MP, seems determined to

remain in the contest on April 9 as an independent.

Labour Party candidate is Mr

Austin Currie, a former chief

whip who fought the seat in May 1979 as an independent

SDLP contender. The intentions of the Irish Independence Party

There is growing doubt
whether the Democratic
Unionist Party will nominate a
candidate. The Official

candidate. The Official Unionists' choice is Mr Harold

were in police custody yester-day after a Roman Catholic was

shot four times in the back and shoulder at Markethill, co

are still not clear.

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General election:
Maguire, M. F. (Ind)
Ferguson, R. (Off UU)
Currie, A. (SDLP)
Baird, E. (UUUP)
Acheson, P. (Alliance)
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The Social Democratic and

split vote

From a Staff Reporter

sending a wrong signal.".
He conceeded that he opposed the introduction of the embargo when it was introduced a year nearly 400 head teachers last or so ago by President Carter and said that he would dearly love to be in a position to be night that the Government was exhorting schools to do more to prepare young people for working life, but the prospect

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, March 29

Contrary to his earlier plans, President Reagan has decided

not to abandon the Soviet grain embargo.

In a long interview with The Washington Post published here today, the President said that the delicate situation in Poland

as well as other aspects of inter-national affairs were such that he did not see "where we could lift it (the ambargo) without

Poland, Mr Reagan said that against their own people". the provision of emergency food aid as requested by the author-ities in Warsaw would be con-tingent on what happened there in the coming days.

"I think our relationship with the Polish people we have made plain" he said, "and we would like to be of help to them". This had been the general view of the United States since the independent trade union movement. Solidarity, had embarked on its campaign to secure better working conditions for the people last year, he

"But answering that appeal would be a lor easier for us if the Polish Government does not

On the escalating crisis in take some drastic military steps Asked whether there was anything that the United States could or should do if the Polish

people were suppressed by their rulers, the President said that that would have an effect on our relationship with Poland, t and our allies. We have all—and we've

the people of Poland, whether internally or, and certainly if it is outside by the Soviet Union, is going definitely to have an impact on our relationship. So we are watching this very carefully."

Turning to other aspects of Reagan said that in a nine-page watching to other aspects of the spont s

the relationship between Washington and Moscow Mr Reagan said that he was quite sure that there would be a summit meet-ing between himself and President Brezhnev. It was, however, far too early for such a meeting. "I haven't said no. I have just said that it is down the road a bit", he said.

Mr Reaga usaid that the

worked in a concerted way on meeting would not take place this—made it plain that any until all of America's allies had imposition on the freedom of been fully consulted and the

letter to him Mr Erezhnev had recently made it plain that he wanted to discuss all aspects of East-West relations. In reof East-West relations. In return, he had made it clear that he believed that such talks should not be restricted only to arms limitation issues.

I think the whole matter of the imperialism of the Soviet be a subject for this, for discussion. Are they going to continue exploiting where there meeting fully prepared. "You are differences and where there don't just decide to have a meeting and sit down and say what do be said where there are differences and where there is trouble? Or are they going to continue this massive build-

determination in their con tries and so forth: Mr Reag asked rhetorically. And we are willing to to

to them. The Secretary of St. has mer with their ambassar here and we are not slammi that Moscow wanted to be me conciliatory in the future, Reagan said that he had sen

Dundee city

Washington family row blows over for a while

From David Cross Washington, March 29

President Reagan has made it maintenance grants for 16 to 19-year-olds who remained in fulf-time education, but that had been ruled out in the recent report of the committee of inquiry, chaired by Mr Neil Macfarlane, under secretary of State, and the White House over future control of the Administration's foreign policy in a crisic

a crisis.
In an interview with The Washington Post published today the President conceded that there had been some confusion between the White House and Mr Haig about who would head the so-called crisis management committee.

In the ensuing power struggle the task of taking control of the Administration's crisis planning went to Mr George Bush the Vice-President, rather than to the domineering Secre-tary of State.

Mr Reagan told The Wash-

ington Post that as far as he was concerned everything had was concerned "peacefully and we are all very happy". There had certainly never been any policy disagreement between the White House and Mr Haig,

the White House and Mr Haig, he said.

Asked whether Mr Haig would stay on in the Administration, the President said:

"Certainly, as far as I am concerned and I think as far as he is concerned, yes." He said he considered the whole unfortunate episode as closed.

The President's assessment of the present relationship be-

the present relationship be-tween the White Houe and Mr Haig appears to coincide closely with the views of the Secretary

After complaining bitterly to his advisers about his loss of power to the Vice-President, Mr Haig tolds a Congressional committee last week after the decision had been taken that it was time "to get on with the substance" of foreign policy and not to worry about its

form.
All last week the American newspapers and television news programmes were full of reports about the power struggle which was seen by observers as the first big internal crisis for the new Administration.

Mr Haig was reported to have muttered several times about resigning his post but appa-rently changed his mind when he realized that such a gesture

It has always been abundantly clear to all here that Mr Haig has an immense ego and since becoming Secretary of State he has made much of his posi-tion as "vicar" of President Reagan's foreign policy. He dis-

Reagan's foreign policy. He discovered last week, however, that his parish was somewhat smaller than he had thought.

The publicity which Mr Haights managed to generate over foreign policy, particularly East-West relations, has upset some of Mr Reagan's closest and most senior advisers in the White House.

They believe that the Admin istration's most pressing task is to set the economy back on the path to recovery and that too much emphasis on foreign policy issues during its early days could distract the attention of Congress from the President's economic programme. For the time being, Mr Haig

appears to have bowed to the inevitable by accepting Mr Bush's new role. But it would come as no surprise here if his forceful character and his own high opinions of himself do not produce further embarrassing to try to clashes with the White House.

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passport may be held

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg, March 29

A threa thy Mr Pieter Botha the South African Prime Minister, to have the passport of Bishop Desmond Tutu, the black secretary-general of the South African Council of Churches, withdrawn as soon as the bishop returns from abroad, is being seen as a potentially serious setback to the Reagan Administration's cautious moves towards a rapprochement be-tween Washington and Pretoria.

The bishop, who is in Britain, is a flery critic of apartheid. In a speech to the United Nations Special Committee on Apartheid in New York last week, he described the South African system as one of "the said that a third world war would break out unless apart-heid was ended within 40 years.

heid was ended within 40 years.
At Welkom, a gold mining town in Orange Free State on Friday night, Mr Botha addressed one of the biggest meetings of the general election campaign, attended by more than 2,000 people.

Before an audience of miners, makely the most relationers.

probably the most volatile sec-tion of the South African white electorate, Mr Botha could hardly say he was going to ignore the bishop's remarks. "As far as I am concerned", he said, the bishop's passport would be withdrawn when he returned to South Africa. Bishop Tutu, who has been nominated for the 1981 Nobel Peace Prize, had his passport withdrawn last April after a visit to Denmark where he had advocated economic sanctions against South Africa. The passport was restored earlier this

It has been suggested that if South Africa takes action against Bishop Tutu, black Afri-can states will use the incident to try to persuade the United States to distance itself from

Bishop Tutu | Reagan policy review allays | Pretoria may some black African fears

From Our Own Correspondent Washington March 29 President Reagan and his foreign policy advisers have com-pleted the first stage of their review of southern Africa and to the great relief of most black African nations it will probably not tilt as strongly towards South Africa as once

In a statement published last night, the White House announ-ced that a high level delegation of Administration officials led by Mr Chester Crocker, President Reagan's nominee as assis-tant Secretary of State for African Affairs, would visit countries in southern Africa to-

wards the end of this week. The delegation's trip was " an effort to meet with as many parties as we can", the state-ment said. "We have discussed our policy with our allies and saw this as an opportunity to

extend our discussions".

According to well-informed Administration officials here, the delegation will visit all five African front-line states, including Mozambique and Angola, as well as South Africa. It will continue to seek an

internationally acceptable for-mula for ending South Africa's mula for ending South Africa's control of Namibia while at the same time seeking a dialogue with Pretoria to bring about racial change in that country. In an interview with The Washington Post published today, President Reagan said that the whole subject of Africa was "of great concern" to his Administration." We want to conministration." We want to con-tifue our friendship with the emerging African states, the

ack African states.

"I realize there are also some

with them and we are going to take steps to bring that about.
"This does not mean in any
way that we do not look forward to a continued friendship with South Africa and I think to be helpful to them in their are many things there, it's a repugnant thing to us but on the other hand we had our own experience in this country with an apartheid that was just as

ugly". On Namibia, Mr Reagan said that his Administration wanted to see a peaceful solution there. Mr Ishaya Audu, the Nigerian Foreign Minister, who met Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, in Washington last week, was apparently reassured by what he was told

Other straws in the wind dur-g the last few days have also allayed some of the fears of the black African nations. The White House announced on Friday that it would be sending Mr George Bush, the Vice-President, as the head of the United States delegation to a conference on the plight of African refugees.

It is sponsored by the Organ-ization of African Unity (OAU) and will be held in Geneva on April 9 and 10. The administration has also

approved a large increase in development aid for Zimbabwe and has apparently managed to persuade Mr Jonas' Savimbi, head of Unita—the last anticommunist guerrilla group in Angola-to postpone a visit to Washington.

Black African nations feared that Washington might be about to resume aid to Mr Savimbi that have a chip on their and his followers who are trying shoulder towards us. We would to unseat the pro-soviet governine a better understanding ment in Luanda.

protest over air shooting

From Our Correspondent Johannesburg, March 29 South Africa is expected to deliver a strong diplomatic protest to the Mozembique Government after an incident in which Mozambican troops fired on and hit a South African civilian light aircraft flying low near the border.

According to a South African account, the single-engined Cessna 310, with four people, including the pilot, on board, was circling low near the Lebombo border post on Friday before landing for customs before landing for customs clearence. The Cessna was flying from Maputo, the Mozambique capital, Nelspruit in Transvaal.

Ar the border post it came bique side and bullets narrowly missed the fuel tank, shattered instruments and a piece of motal embedded itself in one of the passenger's shoes. According to witnesses, the aircraft only managed to land safely because of the skill of Mr Henk Schimmelpenning, the pilot.

Mr Dan Pienaar, the general manager of the charter company which owns the aircraft, said police on the South African side of the border had seen the attack "but they didn't lift a finger to stop theoutrage.
Tehsion on the Mozambique

border has escaloted since late January when a South African Army column attacked the beadquarters of the ounlawed South African National Council Mozambique territory.
This weekend talks opened in

Maputo between a delegation of Soviet officials and the Mozam-

councillors savour Aral hospitality From Christopher Walker Jericho, March 29 Four bemused Dundee

councillors crossed from Jor into the Israeli-occupied V Bank today to the kind Palestiniaa reception usureserved for members foreign governments.

From the sumptious open lunch served in the st

garden of a Jericho restaur League-financed visit has to on international significance has also aroused bitter op tion among British Jews. As the councillors ging dipped Arab bread into unfamiliar array of Orig salads, Mr James Gowans, Labour Lord Provost, confe

through an Arabic interpri-that the delegation was "c whelmed " at the reception Mr Karim Khalef, one of two West Bank mayors mai last year in car bomb atta made the opening spe "Welcome to the land of I stine, which is occupied Israeli forces", he said. 'Ir

Palestine once, and it will Palestine again."

Lising the occasion to an Israeli ban designed to vent him making political s-ments. Mr Khalef declared support for the Pales Liberation Organization.

It rapidly became clear despite the delegation's sti support for the Palesti cause, a wide cultural gap have to be brided during five-day visit which cultural states of the cause of the c with a ceremony to mark twinning of Dundee Nablus, the West Bank's lar

town.
Apparently unaware
their host, Mr Bassan Sh
the Nablus mayor, is a pra
ing Muslim, the Scots admitted they may have I mistaken to bring a tar wrapped whisky bottle a: municipal gift.

The councillors and denied claims that the twint arrangement and Dundee's c sion to fly the Palestinian in the council chambers, h been the cause of a recent w daubed on walls in the city

Generating can will go under the Gaza Strip

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, March 29
The Israeli Cabinet in Je salem decided today that projected Mediterranean-D Sea power generating ca should start as a tunnel us the occupied Gaza Strip. The intake will be at Ke

a Jewish settlement, and conduit will surface in Negev. It will go undergrot again through the Judean v derness until it emerges so of Massada for a 1,300ft de to turn four hydroelectric b bines to generate 600 megawa The cabinet also decide today to start work on the p ject within two months. Experts had preferred desert route to shorter of further north largely because

would skirt the area contains the region's richest source Since the region is earthqua prone, a conduit with seawarisked pollution of the swithwater source by seepa

experts said. Mr Yitzhak Modai, Minist for Energy and Infrastructs said raising the funds of about 5300m for the project was

Four injured in bomb explosion on Tel Aviv bus From Our Correspondent Tel Aviv, March 29

Four people were slight hurt this afternoon when bomb tore a hole through the roof of a bus. Scores of other passengers escaped injury. The bus, travelling from the

coastal town of Netanya, h been approaching the cents station here when its route

impatient and insisted the driver let them out. Only the women and the driver were it when a plastic bomb on a ba gage rack went off.

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Paris, March 29 With three blows on the rostrum from an auctioneer's mallet, President Giscard d'Estaing declared his personal

election campaign well and truly opened yesterday evening. An entitusiastic audience of young supporters in a large tent burst out cheering and clapping at this expected news.

They chanted out the message emblazoned on their white T shirts: "Allez Giscard: Allez France." They waited in excited anticipation for their candidated ate's speech, which was to promise them all full employment over the next seven years provided he was returned for econd term.

The organizers claimed at least 30,000 young people joined in the rally in four big tents at the Porte de Pantin on the site of the demolished abattoirs of La Villette. It was an afternoon of disco, soft drinks and doughnuts, where any American party conference-goer would have felt at home, At the same time another

gathering of a different kind of youth was surging round the column in the centre of the Place de la Bastille. Red flags fluttered high against the grey skies and the 15,000 present (according to the police) or the 70,000 there (according to Communist Party) waited for their condidate, chanting rude slogans, drinking beer and eat-ing sandwiches.



Election

meetings could not have been more marked. The one well-organized warm and happy; the other straggly, out in the

of as he boomed out his mes-sage through the loudspeakers round the Bastille. It was a contrast of which President Giscard d'Estaing showed he was well aware as he nailed down the plank job creation for youth as the most important on his election platform.

The President's seven-point

job creation scheme was published yesterday in the form of an interview with the weekly magazine L'Express.

reduction of the legal early retirement age from 60 to 58;

firms; encouragement for nego tiations to reduce the working week; increased control of unemployment benefit frauds; and, wider use of employment benefit funds to help firms in

Touble.

There was predictable condemnation of these ideas from
all the main unions and political parties. The Communist
CGT union went so far as to
call the package "indecent"
and the strong socialist CFDT
said it was "gravely insufficient." The Socialist Party thought

the ideas might create about 5,000 jobs by 1986, compared with the million promised by the President. From his tribune plan for youth but for the bosses. Unemployment and ghetto cities—the bosses, the rich, the businessmen want them in order to make more

Another candidate has now succeeded in obtaining the necessary support from elected officials to enable her to stand in the first round of the election. She is Mile Arlette Laguillier, of Lutte Ouvrière (Workers Struggle) who says she is standing to show electorate that the left has another face to the one repre-

profit.

Northern Ireland was damaging his Dublin talks with Mrs Marits world standing. Mr Haughey, due in Boun for talks with West German leaders ing groups were studying ways today, told the magazine Der of bridging their of Spiegel that the presence of Northern Ireland.

Ulster troops damaging to

Britain, Mr Haughey says

11,000 British troops in Northern Ireland was "a finan-cial burden for the British and unquestionably does their social and cultural unit but he standing in the world no good . recognized that Mrs Thatcher The British public and some of the political establishment points.

were increasingly reluctant to

For me there is no doubt

Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Prime Minister, was duoted vesterday as saying that Britain's military presence in Welcome a solution to the problem of Northern Ireland." Mr Haughey was quoted as saying.

Asked about the results of of bridging their differences on

Mr Haughey said Dublin had always considered Ireland to be a single natural economic, social and cultural unit but he had different views on some

go on hearing the cost, he said. give a good indication whether we can bring the differing tenthat the overwhelming majority of the British population would quoted as saying.

Man who shot thief given suspended sentence

day that he had information of Acheson, P. (Alliance) 1,070 a British plot to kill him. If had did not die at the hands of were in police custody yester-A two-year suspended prison entence was imposed yesterday jungle. on a man who shot dead a thief he caught stealing paving Armagh, on Saturday night. His condition is described as comfortable. stones from his warehouse. The court at Aix-en-Province showed it accepted the defence plea that the shooting was "a legiti-mate reaction of the aggressed against the aggressor, when society is no longer capable of organizing the elementary security of everyone".

The court was told that M Bathelmy Beranger had fired both barrels of his hunting rifle at the driver of a car he saw emerging from a road leading to the warehouse. driver, M Serge Ros, died from his wounds. In his car and at his home were found the concrete paying stones belonging to M Beranger. The defence produced psychi-

atric evidence to prove that M Beranger was a man who was and who had become exasperated by the many thefts of which he had been a victim. In the end he had relieved his frustrations by a "violent emo-tional discharge."

The prosecution had said that it was for the courts and not

From Our Own Correspondent the victims of crimes to punish offenders. The alternative was a return to the law of the In a case at Lyons, Andre Chassaing, aged 21, was given a life sentence for killing a

garage pump attendant and seriously wounding a taxi driver he had been unable to The taxi driver, M Andre

Camarron, made a strong plea to save his attacker from the guillotine. "A bullet passed through my head," he said, "but it did not change my ideas. I did not come here to the through the death repulty." ask for the death penalty."
In Dijon on Friday, M Alain
Peyrefitte, the Justice Minister, said that the death penalty was "an atrocity in itself". There was, he said, no point in seeking to change the guillotine as the instrument of execution. The death penalty, he said, "horrifies everyone, provokes repulsion and it would always remain an atrocity even if the method of execution were changed."

However, he added that the present feeling of insecurity felt by the French people meant there was no incentive to abolishing the death penalty. fhd.at &fvetdx

Disco for Giscard youth rally, beer

and sandwiches for the Communists

cold and angry.

It was a contrast which M.
Georges Marchais, the Communist candidate, made much

He promised: Professional training for the 100,000 unable to qualify for it; more financial inducement for immigrant workers to leave; temporary

in the Place de la Bastille, M Marchais conjured up an even grimmer world if the package were ever put into operation.

"It will aggravate unemployment," he said. "It is not a

OVERSEAS

Britain is ready to hold up EEC farm price agreement indefinitely unless specific demands are met

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, March 29

Britain no longer sees any urgency about reaching agreement on the annual increase would be prepared to hold up is a settlement indefinitely unless

Foremost among these is that there must be no change in the value of the "green pound". because this would simultaneously reduce the value of farmers' prices in Britain. A 15 per cent revaluation of the green pound has been proposed by the European Commission, and is strongly urged by the French. Foremost among these is that

Office of the strongly urged by the French.

Other demands are that the EEC must continue to pay for a libral burser in Britain (at present apposed by the French and rish): a 145 a tonne "superas" on excess milk production 14 house he imposed throughout the ommunity (at present opposed most member states); Britain's special system of sup-

norring beef producers must be

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allowed to continue (no proposal on this as yet from Brussels); and long-term import arrangements for New Zealand butter must be approved (still blocked by Italy).

This tough new British line emerged on the eve of the open-ing here tomorrow of a three-day meeting of EEC agriculture ministers
The breakdown yet again of

The breakdown yet again of the EEC fisheries negotiations last Friday, which is blamed in London mainly on French in-transigence, is cited by British sources as justifying a very hard line over farm prices. line over farm prices.
The fisheries meeting was

summoned at the request of EEC heads of government to reach a "once and for all " solu-

British sources say that Presi-British sources say that President Giscard d'Estaing is "desperately anxious" to be able to offer his farmers a price rise before the French presidential elections next month, and they therefore argue that the threat of delay could be a powerful weapon.

Another factor which

attractive deal for many EEC countries as a result of monetary juggling in Brussels in the wake of the recent devaluation of the Italian lira.

Briefly, the European Com-mission has proposed the simult-ancous readjustment and de-valuation of the "green rates" of Denmark, Ireland, France, Italy and Greece (the "green rate" is the special exchange value used for converting EEC farm prices into national cur-rencles).

The effect would be to raise farmers' support prices by amounts ranging from 2.5 per cent in Denmark and France, to over 9 per cent in Italy. These rises would come on top of any common EEC farm price increase, which would be financed directly out of the Community budger.

Britain would derive no benefit from this because its green currency is already under-valued, and cannot be further devalued. The British, whose determined Britain to stiffen its that they are in a position to price for an early agreement is drive a hard bargain.

Carrington pledge on aid for Afghan refugees

Quetta, March 29.-Lord Car- supported the cause of the inrington, the Fureign Secretary, yesterday pledged £4m in aid to Pakistan to help that country cope with the influx of Afghan refugees. He told a meeting of refugee leaders at a camp site 60 miles from Quetta during his three-day visit to Pakistan that Britain and the European Community supported them and understood their problems.

Lord Carrington sidestepped repeated pleas from the Afghans, muny of whom said they crossed into Afghanistan to fight with anti-Soviet insurgents, for anti-tank and surfaceto-air missiles.

"We, the 10 countries of Europe, are doing our very best to get the Russians out of Afghanistan," he said.

if London was supplying them with weapons he added: "I don't think that kind of matter is best discussed in public." Lord Carrington, who arrived in Pakistan on Friday held talks

with Government leaders on new ways to put pressure on Moscow to withdraw its troops He told reporters that there was no sign yet that the Soviet Union was prepared to leave Afghanistan, but added that the position was not irreversible. The present danger is that the Soviet Union may use Afghanistan as a base from which to expand", he said.—

Hougkong, March 29.-Lord Afghanistan," he said.

At a press conference in He will stay for two days before going on to Peking.

CIA finds no proof of Soviet terror link

Washington, March 29 .- 4 draft report prepared by the Central Intelligence Agency "strongly disagrees" with con-tentions by the Reugan Administration that the Soviet Union is a key supporter of international terrorism, government sources said yesterday.

The sources, who asked not to be identified, said that the CIA view was contained in a draft of a national intelligence sur-vey. The report was not inten-ded for public consumption. "It (the report) strongly dis-

agrees with Reman's and (Secretary of Stare) Huig's contention that the Soviets are behind international terrorism " a source said. However, the survey also

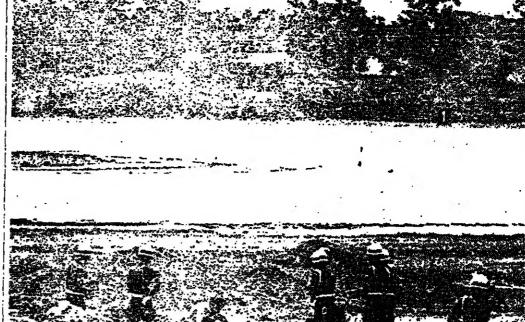
however, the survey also locludes assessments, prepared by the Pentagon and the State Department, which disagree with the CIA conclusions, according to the sources. The Default Intelligence American Intelligence American Intelligence American Intelligence Intellige Defence Intelligence Agency concludes that the Soviets are in it (support for international terrorism) up to their necks", one source said. Another said of the CIA findings: "There is on the CLA findings; "There is no smoking gun. And since you don't have that, no, the Soviets aren't behind international terrorism."

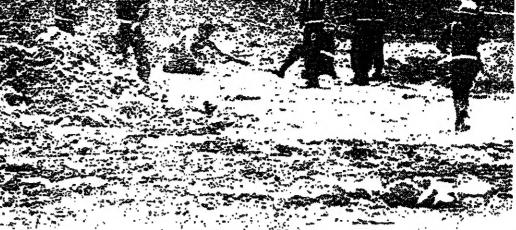
The sources said that the CIA admitted that there was "circumstantial evidence" of Soviet involvement

"The (CIA) conclusion is a highly political one" one sources source said. The sources declined to say exactly what data the CIA had relied upon, but noted that much of it included classified information. Mr Alexander Haig said on

January 28, in his first press conference as Secretary of State, that even though the Russians had been the targets of terrorist activities, "they today are involved in conscious policies which foster, support and expand "international terrorism.

"I think it is clear that we have an unprecedented, at least in character and scope, risk-taking mode on the part of the Soviet Union—not just in this bemisphere, but in Africa as well ", Mr Haig said. He ordered efforts to combat international terrorism.—AP.





Thai marksmen move in to help Mr Robert Wainwright, a Briton who escaped from the hijacked Indonesian airliner at Bangkok yesterday.

Gunmen try to kill ayatollah

Tehran, March 29 .- One of the most eminent supporters of Ayarollah Khomeini, the Iranian leader, has been shot and wounded in Shiraz, official re-

ports said today.
Two young gunmen were said to have attempted to assassinate Avatollah Rabbani Shirazi, the personal representative of Ayatollah Khomeioi in the central province of Fars, and a bullet hit him in the neck. Ayatollah Shirazi suffered

minor injuries, but said in hopital: "The bullet ... just missed my jugular vein".

The Ettela'at newspaper, re, ported from Shiraz that responsibility for the attack had been labeled. claimed by Forgan, a mysterious group which is apparently dedi-cated to killing prominent Shia clergymen,

executed: people, including two women. have been executed in Iran in the past few days for offences ranging from dealing in drugs to adultery, Tehran newspapers

to adultery, remaining reported today.

The two women were sent before a firing squad in Kermaoshahan province after being convicted of adultery and spreading corruption.
Two Afghans were said to

have been shot by a firing squad along with two other narcotics offenders.-Reuter.

TV claims diplomats are former torturers

By Our Diplomatic Staff Three diplomais attached to the Argentine embassy in London are accused in the Granada television programme World in

Action, being transmitted to-night, of having tortured political prisoners at a secret anti-subversion centre in Buenos Aires.

The three men deny the allegations, and Señor Carlos Ortiz de Roza, the Argentine ambassador, has rejected them as politically motivated, saying he sees " no grounds for serious

consideration of the matter ". According to the World In Action all three men were employed in Buenos Aires in 1977 at an anti-subversion centre. About 3,000 political prisoners are said to have been detained there and subjected to systematic torture after the armed forces seized power in 1976. The three men are identified in the programme by former political prisoners.

Senora Sara Solarz tained for 18 months, accuses one of being present when she was tortured with an electric prod. She alleges that another tied her to a metal bed in readiness for the torture and that the third applied the electric prod to her body.

According to World in Action, the three were posted to Lon-don just over a year ago when the Argentine authorities began sending abroad officers whose actions had aroused controversy over human rights.

The alleged instances of torture cited in the television programme all took place in 1977 about 10 days after the arrest of the victims. About 10 victims were questioned, during the compilation of the programme.

New President: Lieutenant-General Roberto Viola was sworn in today for a three-year term as the thirty-eighth President of Argentina and the second President of the armed forces' five-year-old national reorganization process (our Buenos Aires Correspondent

General Viola, who is 56, was handed the presidential baton and sash by Lieutenant-General Galtieri, the Army Commander-in-Chief and President of the three man junta, in an eightminute ceremony at the Congress building. It was attended by the outgoing President, General Jorge Rafael Videla, Government officials, military officers and foreign diplomats.

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Police raid stifles Zimbabwean spirit power

From Stephen Taylor Salisbury, March 29 Zimbabwe police believe that, with the arrest of several men and a woman who claims to have spiritual powers, they have nipped in the bud events with ominous similarities to the uprising against white sentlers in Rhodesia in 1896. Recent visitors to the Great

Zimbabwe ruins, one of the country's main tourist attractions, have been disturbed by a woman who said she was the reincarnation of the spirit medium Mbuya Nehanda, who incited the rebellion of the Shona tribes in 1896 in which 103 settlers were killed before she was captured by the British. The tourists reported that the woman was holding ritual ceremonies at Great Zimbabwa. the remains of an African civil-ization that flourished in the fifteenth century, and last week the Department of National Museums and Monuments called in the police after discovering damage to the conical tower, the most imposing building

on the site. Spirit mediums still wield a powerful force in traditional Zimbabwe society and were used by the guerrilla forces to gain the support of rural people during Rhodesia's sevenyear guerrilla war. In the latter stages, the Government also tried to use spirit mediums, to turn people against the guer-

immediate connexions were made by police between the ritual ceremonies and the recent murders of four people on farms in the vicinity of Fort Victoria, about 35 miles from

Great Zimbabwe.
Early on March 11 Mr Abrabam Roux and his wife were murdered in their farmyard by two men armed with automatic rifles. Five days later, at a farm near by, Mrs Helena van As and

her grandson died in a hail of her grandson died in a hail of automatic fire as they were watching television.

The killings shocked the farming community of Fort Victoria which was unscatbed by the tensor of the state of the by the war. Investigations into

incidents culminated in a large police operation at a squatters' camp near Great Zimbabwe on Friday. As the force moved in there was gunfire and two men were killed—one as he was about to throw a grenade police reports said,

Seven Russian-made auto-matic rifles, amounition and grenades were found as well as an assortment of axes, spears and knives.

The woman and men arrested are in jail. If found guilty of murder they will not be hanged, as was Mbuya Nehanda after the quelling of the Shona rebellion.

Prince dies in crash

Angers, France, March 29 .-

Curb on arms for Africa sought

By Henry Stanhope, er of governments, organiza-ons and individuals have peti-oned the South African

Defence Correspondent A fresh initiative on limiting arms sales in Africa is called for in a report published today. It is among a series of recommendations put forward by the International Peace Academy (IPA) to strengthen the hand of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) in coping with crises in its continent.

The IPA undertook the study after the disappointing OAU summit at Lome last surumn, when the African leaders failed to find a coherent policy on problems in the western Sahara

In today's report, the scademy says that the scale of disputes in Africa is greater ngress (ANC) in 1944, coming its deputy national coming its deputy national in 1952 when he led than the OAU had been designed to cope with. They include the boundary dispute between Ethiopia and Somalia. 00 people in a campaign of 171 liance. In June, 1961, he and ter ANC leaders set up thouton we Sinue (Spear of the political conflicts between Uganda and Tanzania, and Guinea and Ghana, the succes-sion question in Djibouti and long-standing colonial and racial arguments.

Military spending has doubled every five years in Africa since 1963, and more convicted of inciting and more guns have found their way to unofficial groups,

making increasingly difficult security needs. There is now, the job of peace-keeping on the for instance, a new generation continent.

The report has been com-piled by Mr Hugh Hanning of the IPA and commends regional groupings between powers in Africa in order to control the clandestine flow of arms. It also believes that the OAU should develop its executive structure cope with crises as they

> Medium-sized powers could advise upon security and offer logistical aid on peace-keeping. missions, perhaps paid for by Opec countries who have an interest in seeing stability pre-

The report also calls for more cooperation to cope with natural disasters, if only by arranging overflying rights in advance.
On arms sales, it argues that

few of the big suppliers seem able to win much political leverage from their sales—something evident in the Gulf War where the United States and the Soviet Union have seemed quite unable to exert much influence upon the course

for instance, a new generation of anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons which are effective and inexpensive, making fur-ther beavy investment unnecessary for most countries.

Constraints on arms deals in Africa could be made through existing arms control discussions, the study says, with the OAU having an important role. A separate study also published by the IPA today recomsurveillance systems to help monitor the peace along dis-puted borders in Africa.

This suggestion is made after the success of the American early warnings systems used in Sinal between 1976 and 1980 to monitor the Egyptian-Israeli peace agreements.

The report says that such systems could help elsewhere in the Middle East, particularly on the Golan Heights where the United Nations force has been badly hampered by a lack of advanced equipment.

The Organization of Unity : A role for the 1980s, and Weapons of Peace (both published the International

the chief accused in the onia trial and sentenced to imprisonment for sabotage. Juring the 17 years of her band's imprisonment. Mrs line Mandela has kept up a stant battle of her own inches the control of the control Foot-and-mouth disease strikes again in Brittany inst barassment. Imprisoned eral times, she is now serv-one of a series of banning From Our Own Correspondent Paris, March 29

Another case of foot-andmouth disease has been con-firmed in the Côte-du-Nord de-partment of Brittany. This thirteenth case of the current epidemic was reported just as the authorities were beginning to hope that the disease had been stopped in the area. The animals on the farm con-cerned had all been vaccinated

seven days before and the last case in the area had been confirmed nine days earlier. The vaccine is supposed to become effective after the tenth day so the new outbreak has dashed hopes that were being

Spanish police shots kill British cargo ship master

The British master and owner of a small cargo vessel, docked in a Basque port, was the victim yesterday of a Spanish policeman's fire.

Captain John Wilkinson, aged

a naval vessel, moored close to the British ship, as part of his tour to inspect the latest

security According to the police, Captain Wilkinson appeared from his cabin and fired three shots his cabin and fired three shots when two plainciothes policemen tried to detain a British sailor who had been accused by black African sailors, belonging to another ship, of stealing £70. But, according to the Argus Pride's crew, Captain Wilkinson had only fired warning shots. However, another policeman, believing his colleagues were under attack shot him.

Suspect shot: A suspected member of the ETA military wing was today shot dead in Victoria as he was fleeing with a group of other young men

43, from Surrey, was shot dead on board the London-registered Argus Pride while in the port of Pasajes near San Sebastian. He had been involved in a dis-pute about an alleged theft.

The incident occurred only minutes before Señor Alberto Oliart, the Spanish Defence Minister, was due to embark on

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one engine on fire today, art officials reported. le aircraft, owned by a ian charter company, had at 9.27 am for Las Palmas enerife when one of its four pressure on judiciary From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, March 29 in yet another onslaught on

Indian Government increase

the judiciary, additional High Court judges all over India have been asked to state in writing that they are willing to accept transfer to any state.
Mr Shiv Shankar, the Law
Minister, has written to chief justices of high courts to let his ministry have the consent of additional judges before their cases for confirmation are considered.

There are nearly 100 additional judges. They are temporary members of the judiciary whose service is extended from time to time. Many of them have served six to eight years but have remained uncon-Additional judges have been

to which they are prepared to be transferred. In his letter, a copy of which has been sent to all state chief ministers, Mr Shiv Shankar has made it clear that the consent for transfer does not neces-

arily mean that the judge con-

cerned will be made permanent. The Law Minister's move is intended to by-pass Mr V. V. Chandrachud, the Chief Justice of India, who, under Article 222 of the Indian constitution, has to be consulted on every transfer of a judge from one high court to any other high

Since Mrs Indira Gandhi's return to power, the Govern-ment has been putting pressure on Chief Justice Chandrachud to agree to the Executive's right to transfer high court judges. He has been resisting the mounting pressure.

At one point there was t proposal to transfer all chief justices of high courts. But when the Chief Justice refused to be a party to it, the Law Ministry tried to amend Article asked to indicate the order of 222 to do away with the consti-their preference for the states tutional obligation of holding consultations" with the Chief Justice before the transfer of

It seems that the ruling Congress Party is bent upon arming itself with powers to transfer judges in order to put pressure on the judiciary.

EEC in step for switch to Summer Time From Michael Hornsby

Brussels, March 29 All EEC states changed to Summer Time at 1 am Green-wich Mean Time today, the first occasion on which they have put their clocks forward simultaneously, The unfamiliar accord will

oot last long. The continental states will put their clocks back an hour at the end of September, but Britain and Ireland will not do so until the end of October. It is hoped that the harmon ization, which will be repeated

next year will make life easier for travellers, telephone users and transport companies. A proposal just submitted by the European Commission would fix common dates for both the start and end of Summer Time for every year from 1983

The idea is that clocks shouldgo forward on the last Sunday in March or the penul-timate Sunay if Easter intervenes—in practice in the period March 23-31, except in 1989 when the date would be

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The expense of the more sophisticated weapons hardly by the Internation seems justified for local Academy, New York).

The tale of two captains ends in favour of Lloyd and his bowlers

from John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Antigua, March 29

After a wonderfully successful morang, in which they took five good West Indian wickets for 65 runs, the fourth Test match slipped right away from England here again today. When, just before lunch, West Indies were 296 for even in reply to England's first innings total of 271, the game, in theory at any rate, was evenly balanced. But Lloyd, Garner. Holding and Croft made enough

Holding and Croft made enough runs between them to allow West Indies to declare. When bad light stopped play 10 minutes early Boycott and Gooch, still together, had made seven runs in four overs. Dilley, with the priceless wicket of Richards, and Botham, who took three wickets in five halls towards the en dof the first hour, gave England their chance. Richards was out in the first over of the day without having bothered to play blusself in. But it was all too good to last.

An important chance went down

too good to last.

An important chance went down in the earl yafternoon, when West Indies were still not clear, and by this evening England's bowlers were being played even by the West Indian fast bowlers with the proverbial stick of rhubarb. (In a day when England's ground work was as good as at any time on the tour—Burcher in the covers and at mid-wicket and Athey at mid-on and mid-off were quite outstanding—four catches went flown, two off Emburey and two off Botham.

At the end of nearly two whole

At the end of nearly two whole days in the field England can have had no wish to but. Disappointed at having let West Indies off the hook they had nothing to gain by going in for half an hour from bowlers pepped up by making runs. In the event the light went, though not before Gooth and Boycott had had some By the time West Indies, 236

for two overnight, went ahead this morning they had lost the wickets of Richards, Mattis. Gomes and Murroy. The weather was clouder than on the first two days, a drizzle delaying the start for five minutes. Nor was the ground by any means full, despite the certainty of seeing Richards bat. It is hard to imagine that a sports-

Miss Jaeger's

proves decisive

New York, March 29
Martine Naviatilova, aged 24, meets an opponent nine years her junior. Andrea Jaeger, of the United States, later today in the final of the Aron women's championships here in Madison Square Garden. This is the mird consecutive year Miss Naviatilova has contested the final of this tournament, which is the culmination of the women's winter mur. In 1979 she defeated Tracy Austin, but last year that result was reversed. Yesterday Miss Jaeger defeated Srivia Habika, of West Germany, 6—4, 5—7, 6—4 in the semi-final round in one of the most fascioat-

game, in which she was serving for the match. Miss Hanika went on to hold her own service, before breaking Miss Jaeger to love to

treaking Miss Jaeger to love to take the second set.

Miss Hanika went into a 2—0 lead in the final set, but Miss Jaeger, plugging away from the baseline with powerful drives, gradually clawed her way back to take a 4—2 lead and eventually won 6—4.

Miss Navratilova who has won

against Miss Jaeger, reached the final hy beating the Swiss-born West German, Bettina Bunge, 6—2, 7—5. Miss Natratilova has been

playing scindilating tennis here all week, and is clearly back to her

very best form, of two and three

persistence

From Dennis Lehane

New York, March 29

Tennis

man was ever so idolized, even in his own community, as Richards is. "To us", Antiguous sor, "he comes next to God." He had, I think, set his heart on giving them two remarkable days batting, perhaps even a triple hundred, to mark their first Test match. Hence his caution last night when, playing for today, he made only seven in the last hour in the first over today Dilley took the new ball. The first ball

he bowled with it to Richards went flashing to the square-leg houndary, more a force than a hook. Richards played the next defensively before mishooking the third in a gentle parabola to deepish mid-on. If ever a stroke changed the expected course of a day, this was it. Richards's hundred, bls 13th for West Indies

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M. E. Roberts, b. Stovenson
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McEnroe has

aces for Borg

Milan, March 29, - John McEurne defeated his archrival

too many

in his 43rd Test match, started yesterday morning with such a blaze of strokes as even he rarely produces. Of his 114, boundaries accounted for 90.

Next to go was Mattis soon after surviving a chance to long leg where Dilley allowed a well-hit hook to go through his upstretched hands. In Botham's next over Mattis middled a square cut which went low and very fast cut which went low and very fast to cover point—so fast that only the sharp-eyed saw Butcher take the catch off his toes. After Lloyd had glanced his first ball uppishly to long leg Gomes was caught at third slip by Gower, playing the rather casual sort of stroke that might have come from Gower almself. Then off the second ball

hlmself. Then off the second ball of Botham's next over, Murray was caught at short midwicket. Mattis's fourth Test Innings was his best. Even so he has yet to look quite as good again as he did in the first of the two one-day internationals. When Murray was out there was an hour to go to lunch, most of which bad passed when Roberts was bowled by Stevenson, slugging.

Had Stevenson caught Garner at Had Stevenson caught Garner at long off, off Emburey. West Indies would have been 316 for

Indies would have been 315 for csight. Garner mishit a lofted drive, though the hall still went to a fair height; Stevenson, who had ample time to judge it, was never doing so. When he got two hands to the ball as it passed over his head, he was off balance. By now Llovd had incated the middle of his bat. With huge drives or pounding hits off the hack foot, played with a pick-up like Johnny Miller's, he reached his fourth 50 of the scries.

For the eighth wicket the two For the eighth wicket the two giants. Lloyd and Garner, had put on 83 when Lloyd, gaing for an-other forcing flourish through the

other forcing flourish through the covers, was caught of the wicket off Stevenson. Downton has had a good match so far, looking increasingly confident and not unaccomplished.

At tea West ludies were 400 for eight, having scored 99 runs in the afternom for the loss of only Lloyd. In 80 minutes afterwards they made another 68, with Holding showing that if Garner can ing showin githat if Garner can play like a batsman so can he. Most of these West Judians are able to but a bit—except, perhaps.



Richards: blazing a trail to his 13th Test century.

on green Eaglish pitches. They on green English pitches. They have so many chances to learn these days, and in the case of Garner and Holding they are natural games players with good eyes. This evening, cheered to the echo and against a tired attack, Holding played ridiculously well, twice publing Emburey for air, honding Sevenson for another and deputing and driving with that cotting and driving with the timing.

After Garner had skied Dillay After Garner had skied Dillay to mid-wicker. Helding and Croft added 66 in even dma. Croft be-ing dropped at backward short leg by Beycott (what was he doing by Boycott I what was he doing there? I off Emburey and Holding at long off by Dilley off Both: m. So, after all, the day did contain a record partnership—not involving Richards, as we had expected, but Holding and Croft for the lest West Indian wicket against England. That one, until this evening, belong to Ramachin and Worrell.

Squash rackets

A last chance for Hunt to monopolize Open record

Milan, March Milan McEuroe defeated his archrival Bjorn Borg 7-5. 6-4 to win the final of the S200,000 WCT Cuore cup here today. McEnroe took one hour 52 minutes to score his fifth victory in 12 matches against Borg. This one, which was worth \$35,000 to him, was his first win in a world championship rennis tournament this season but his third successive triumph in the Milan event.

Throughout the match played in front of a sellout crowd of 10,000 the American served powerfully, volleyed aggressively and fired fine possing shots down the lines. The Swede often wasted first services and forehand shots The Wimbledon of squash, the The Wimbledon of squash, the British open championship, begins today at a new location, Bromley, with the backing of new sponsors. Audi. Four days of competition at the Bromley Town Club will be followed by four days at the Churchill Theatre, where a court is being erected on stage. There will be three rest days. The winner of the fimil, to be played on April 9, will take £3.700 from the record total of £21.090 in prize money total of £21,090 in prize money allocated to the main event. All the tickets, for both locations, have already been sold.

The flower of the most fascleating matches of the tournament so far. The diminuity biliss Jacger, who beat Miss Hanika in straight sets in the tournament's round robin section, comfortably won the first set and was 4-2 up in the second, but the powerful West German broke back and levelled the score at 4-4.

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McEnroe started by breaking the broke her serving the serving service game to take a 3-0 lead before he fought back to 3-3, breaking McEnroe To some extent Geoff Hunt and Jahangir Khan, more than 16 years his junior, may be seen as years his junior, may be seen as the squish equivalents of Bjorn Borg and John McEnroe. Each starts with an even chance. The rest are outsiders. Jahangir won their first match, at Munich, four weeks ago when Hunt was still finding his feet after the trip from Australia. A fortnight later Hunt won at Bangor, near Belfast, where Jahangir took more risks than he in the fifth game. The American could afford. Learning from that, Jahangir played more patiently at Chichester last Tuesday and dered three set points on Borg's next service game. It seemed a custly mistake for Borg promptly precariously won an exhausting test of skill and endurance that lasted for two hours and 11 broke McEproe's service, only for the American to break back again, McEnroe won the rie break 7-2

minutes. and gained the decisive break in the ninth game of the second set following more enforced errors by Jahansir, a precociously mature professional, has much in common with Hunt who came on tour in 1953, a boy among men, as reserve to the Australian amateur ream. Hunt has since contested the final of this championship nine times, has been champion on seven occasions and needs one more ritle to suppass the record Borg.
Keeping his nerves under control despite boos and whistles by Borg's supporters, McEnroe won the match with a smash and more good volleys. McEnroe's triumph also gave him 130 points in the WCT standings, led by Jimmy Connors and Roscoe Tanner who have 270 points each. more ritle to surpass the record he now shares with Hashim Khan. It must almost certainly be now or

Squash Rackets Correspondent is also a family seem but is also a family man playing a reduced competitive programme.

By contrast, Jahangir, already his equal, stands on the threshold of what should be an literations career. The final, assuming he reaches it, would be an unfamiliar and severe test of Jah-angir's emotional resittence. In terms of experience and motiva-tion. Hunt must be slightly favoured to win.

The field includes two former champions in Quanar Zaman (1975), who has since conceded a psychological advantage to Hunt and Jabeogir in turn, and Jonah Barrinston, a mouth short of his fortieth birthday. In 15 consecutive seasons Barrington has won six championships, and has twice been beaten in the semi-final round, seven times in the quarter-final round.

The main event should be a The main event should be a delight from the start, notably in the form of such first round matches as Bowdich v Karimulah; Jahan v Aziz; Magsood v Safwat; Awad v Blackwood; and Williams v Husain. Once the event moves into the Churchill Theatre there will be room for 580 spectators and the panoply of modern professional sport; hospitality units for private parties. tality units for private parties trade exhibitions and sales booths closed circuit television and digital

scoreboards. What matters, though, as the championship is contested for the 43rd time, is Hunt's chance to win an eighth fitle—and Jahangir's chance to insist that Hashim and Pakistan should retain a half share of the all-time record until labangir compression. Jahangir eventually breaks it. He is good enough to do that. men put

Small boat 'heavies' in their place

By Jim Railton

Rowing

Thames Tradesmen, with a dis-Thames Tradesmen, with a distinguished line-up of scullers and small boat narsmen won, for the first time, the Tideway Head of the River race on Shurgay. Tradesmen had a margin of just under nine seconds, over the British heavyweight maional squad, with three Olympic silver medal winders on board. London University came from the back of the field to clinch third place. the field to clinch third place.

There was a touch of poets justice to Thames, Tradesmen's victory. Tradesmen, in the last decade, have contributed so much to intercutional rowing, often at domestic expense. Tradesmen even had representatives in the second-placed national heary-weight eight on Saturday and their oarsmen in recent years have been on board national squad neavy-weight crev's, who have won the Head of the River title.

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Tradesmen's line-up on Saturday included the Olympic medalists. Wiggin, Whitwell, Justice and Crooks with a world juntor silve medal winner, Redgravaleading the crew. It was a triumph for the small boat oursamen and to add insult to injury, they rode in an eight-year-old acoden boat. The national heavyweight eight will be disappointed with their performance but I hope they do not press the pagic button. New blood, however, must be considered.

sidered.

London University, who started as a new entry, really pulled the stops out to linish third, rowing on a slacker tide and improving 365 places just eight and a half seconds behind the deposed head crew. Kingston threatened early on in the race but were obstructed en route and finished fourth. The British lightweight eight, entered as London Rowing Club, took as expected the lightweight pennant to finish fifth, atead of the British heavyweight second squad eight.

Oxford's Isis were 16 seconds laster than Cambridge's Goldie to finish eighth and win the sector A pennant. Goldle rowed that a substitute on board for their stroke, who has contracted a virus. The fastest overseas criw was First Ricambl (Italy) who finished almost a length down on 18%.

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Other crews to shine were the London University second cight, who finished tenth, cimbing a staggering 356 places. Vesta moved into the top 15, finishing seventh. The fastest Entish non-Tideway club was the Len finishing 15th. This club was founded this year. There was exciting racing at Henley yesterday between Oxford and Cambridge. The Oxford University women's eight just won their boat race for the second sucressive year, by one second. Oxford took the day when the women's second eight, Osiris, bear Blondie by eight seconds with the Cambridge University men's light weight eight rowing Oxford back to win in a thrilling finish by one second.

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Badminton

Miss Köppen's reign is ruthlessly ended

By Richard Streeton

A crushing defeat for Leng Koppen, of Denmark, the hoder, in the women's ingles that transcended cyclichard else of Wembley yesterfor in the All-England badminter characteristics, sponsored by jobn Player. Liem Saile king the door in avenged his reserval its treat in the mee's that when he won against Preker's Paddicage, of India. Note Perry and Jana Webster, England's world champions, brought comfort to officialdom by teking the woman's titles against their communistics, Gillian-Gellas and Paula England a second title in the mixed doubles.

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On a day, though, seddened by the news of the death of hieroest Sincell, the annual for all mars, it was the triumph of Sincell Human, of South Korea, that most be given precedence in the five finals. Miss Khopen, a supreme tecticing and stroke-maker, with a northnality that has made her bedminton's actinoveraged queen over the past five years, was not so much tharmanly beaten as annihilated. What had been expected to be a closely fought final was tame and emberraning to watch in its one-sideSnew.

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In the women's doubles it was In the women's doubles it was In the women's double, it was Miss Webster whose role was one-sistently rejectant. It was Mrs Citts who fell prey to her notorious nerves. This remain an extraordinate defect for someone of her calibre. Softling has haptened, though the week to self-near that England do not need like Gits and Miss Kilvington if the liber Con is to be won. Uper Cup is to be won.

The attempt of Tjun Tjun and John Wahjud (Indonesta) to win the men's doubles for a record seventh time was thwarted by counser comparties. This week's formament, however, will siven be remembered for the emergence of the Street.

Cross-country

Virgin the victor has little sympathy for Ethiopians

From Cliff Temple

Questions about whether, for the second time in three years, distance runners from the home countries underestimated the pos-sibly detrimental effects of even relatively low altitude were being

restrictly low alantine were being asked on the return from the World Cross-Country Championships here yesterday.

The race had ended amid tragifarce as six Ethiopians believed they were pouring across the figishing line of the senior men's championship in an unpresendented championship in an unprecedented "sweep" of the leading places, only to discover there was still one more circuit of the Zarzuela hippodrome to run.

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compleming of an unaccountably heavy-legged feeding, with breathing particularly difficult.

Christine Benning in fourteenth place, was the first British woman to flouin as the unmatchable Norwegian. Grete Waitz, comfortably took her fourth consecutive women's championship. The one crumb of comfort for Britain came from England's junior men, who took the silver team medals, led by the fifth placed Paul Davies-Hale, another who mentioned breathing problems. The promising young Cornishman tioned breathing problems. The promising young Comishman Jonathan Richards, with two more years of eligibility as a junior. made an excellent first appearance in eleventh position.

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The Ethioplans, including the double olympic gold medallist. When in the Ethioplans including the finished fifteenth) had apparently been told by their team manager that the 13 kilometres course comprised four laps. But there was a total of four and three-quarter laps, which involved crossing the finishing line five times.

That the Ethioplans strong favourites in their first appearance in these championships still recovered to take the team title with Mohamed Kedir actually leading the winner, Craig Virgin of the United States, until the last 100 metres, shows their undoubted ability. Virgin himself, who retained the title, particularly acknowledged Kedir's recovery, but had little sympathy for the Erhioplans' plight. Everyone cliek knew how many laps there were, so why not them?

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By John P unseen

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By John ? unsden

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Switzerland carve a new name on Nations Cup

Leax, Switzerland, March 29.— Ingemar Stenmark (Swedem today ended the 1980-81 World Cup scayon as he began it, with a stalom vectory, but it was scant vempensation after being pipped for his fourth individual file by the American, Phil Mahre, yes-terday. Another American, Tamara McKinney, won today's women's rlatem but the United States team marrowly, failed to gratch second narrowly failed to snatch second place in the Nations Cup.

Switzerland, whose women steers have dominated the World Cup events for four months, won the Nations Cup with nearly 300 the Nations Cup with hearly sub-points more than Austria, who came second. Before this season the Austrians had won the Nations Cup for eight successive years, and the trophy had never left French or Austrian hands since it was formed in 1967. Stenmark appeared determined

Stenmark appeared determined to crase the memory of yester-day's giant slaiom here when, despite a near perfect display, he could only finish third. Mabre took second place behind the Russian. Alexander Zhirov, to prise the World Cup from the Swede's grasp.

In today's knochout competition from the world aged 25 hear two Stemmark, aged 25, hear two Austrians. Peter Wirnsherger and Hannes Spiss, Zhirov in the semi-final and then the Norwegian, Jarle Halsnes, in the final by the convincing margin of 1.5 seconds over two runs. In his laconic manner Stenmark said afterwards:

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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes.

Good Heavy

Phil Mahre, the first American to win the coveted World Cup trophy, beat Zhirov in a race to decide third and fourth places. His twin brother, Steve, finished a disappointing 11th and the United States team missed a chance to pip the Austrians for second place in the Nations Cup. Only Hannes Spiss, tollecting 10 points after his defeat by Stenmark, contributed to the Austrian team

Miss McKinney, women's giant Miss McKinney, women's giant slalom cup winner this season, beat the French skler, Fabienne Serrat, Erika Hess (Switzerland), Olga Charvatova (Czechoslovakia) and the West German, Traudi Hecher, on her path to victory. "I had a good time," she said. "A pity that my team-mates did not have more success, it would have been 200d to have hearen have been good to have beaten the Austrians, but we can do that next year, as we will have a strong ream." ream: GIANT SLACOM: 1, A. Zhirny (USSR: 2min 34 80-sc. J. P. Hahre (USSR: 2:10.05.). I. Siromark (USSR: 2:10.25.). Siromark (Sweden: 2:10.25.). I. S. Salem (Plormay, 2:10.25.). Slock (Austra), 2:41.15. 6. L. Slock (Austra), 2:41.25. (Aus

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10. Canada, 515: Ireland, 7.—Reuter. "When I start a race I mean to win it. This one did not have very much at stake but I am still pleased with my success."

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Rackets

hitting lives up to family name

By Roy McKelvie Malvern and Tonbridge wil meet in one semi-final round match, and Clifton and Wellington in the other, in the schools' rackets championship at Queen's Club today. The first two schools came into conflict yesterday, when Shaw and Spurling, of Tonbridge,

won the Colts' championship, beat-ing von Onselen and Woolhouse, of Malvern, by 12-15, 15-12, 15-12, 15-1, 15-4 in the final Two of yesterday's champion-ship quarter-final round matches provided splendid contests, and three members of notable cricker families, Cowdrey, May and Robins, were involved. The win for Cowdrey and Reiss, of Ton-tridge over Enterpress and May of

hridge, over Bristowe and May, of Charterhouse, by 18-14, 1-15, 15-17, 15-12, 15-3, 15-12 was the more mature. It linged on the end of the fourth game, when the end of the fourt game, when Charterhouse, leading 12—10, were thwarted by a struc performance by Reiss, the least natural rackets player in court. Cowdrey's robust hitting was the deciding factor.

Robins and Morris, of Clifton, recovered from being three games down to hear Male and Snow, of Radley, by 14–17, 3–15, 12–15, 15–10, 13–11, 15–10, 15–11 in a match toll of lusty hitting. The Clifton success was due less to their own improvement than to Radlow, having out a fixing some facilities. Radley, having set a furious pace at the start, losing chances in the fourth and sixth game, and fading as if running short of steam. The consistency of Morris kept Clifton

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Tennis

Hockey

Cowdrey's robust Miss Swinnerton's winner gives England triple crown corners but even that was not as many as they had against Wales at Wembley. They have struggled to score goals in this season's international matches, in spite of the long periods they have spent in attack. It would seem that too long has been taken reaching the attacking civile civing defenders

By Joyce Whitehead

England 1 Ireland 0
The England women's hockey Ireland 0 team are again the winners of the triple crown. On the outfield of the cricket ground at Old Trafford,

the cricket ground at Old Trafford, Manchester (the pitch must surely be the best in the world) Jane Swinnerton scored the only goal of Saturday's match against Ireland in the 23rd minute. England's captain, Margaret Souyave, passed to Mary Eckersall, who sent an angled pass into the circle for Miss Swinnerton to deflect into goal.

A strong gale blew throughout the match and in each half the team playing into the wind spent more time in defence, At times in the first half England put Ireland under considerable pressure and went close to scoring on a number of occasions. Their approach work was good and all five forwards were well used. Kim Gordon and Sheila Harding combined well and lit some good crosspasses, but the Irish were well positioned to intercept. intercept. England had 15 fruidess

attacking circle, giving defenders too much time. Wales beat Scot-land 2-1 ar Llanelli on Saturday to take second place. Scotland finished third and Ireland fourth. finished third and Ireland fourth.

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North went to the top of the national junior championship table when they beat West 1—0 at Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, on Saturday.

Craig takes East to title against Combined Services. He By Sydney Friskin

East won the junior divisional hockey champlonship by beating South, last year's winners, in the South, last year's winners, in the final at the Saffrons sports club Eastbourne yesterday. This was the seventh year of the tournament and East took possession of the Norwich Union trophy for the third time, having started the event themselves in the 1974-75 season at Norwich.

In both sides yesterday there was a great deal of talent which could not express itself adequately because of the heavy ground

because of the heavy ground conditions. It had cained earlier in the day and the two matches for the lower placings were played on hard pitches elsewhere. played on hard pitches elsewhere.

Still, it was an interesting final which had two distinct phases, the overall supremacy of the East in the first half and the spirited ascendancy of the South in the second. East were well led by Craig, who in the position of sweeper survived a difficult period early in the second half and later became too alert for Southern comfort.

Craig accord all tive goals from

Craig scored all five goals from corners on Saturday in 20 minutes

virtually won the match for the East yesterday in the 14th minute by converting a penalty stroke, bis earlier abot from a short corner having been stopped on the line

earlier shot from a short corner having been stopped on the line by 2 foot.

The best chance for South was set up late in this period by Spray who was badly obstructed inside the circle. The outcome was a short corner—ardent South supporters thought it might have been 2 stroke—but it came to nothing fast? S. Ashton (Old Lough Ioniass: N. Vartan Beehne Storteri, A. Bastow (Wastellife, D. Craig Southquam, capielin, J. Law Romandinel Gambridge University. S. Sweriing (S. Albans).

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Cycling

Fortune works in favour of the few

By John Wilcockson After more than four hours of dramanc dangerous road racing, over a distance of 100 miles, 2byear-old Mark Swinnerton, from Stoke-on-Trent, won yesterday's Pye Esser Trophy, easily heding the final three-man sornat from promising Malcolm Elliott, of Sheffield, and Lakelander Bran-ton Wild ton Wild.

These three finished clear of the field, which had been decimated by atrocious conditions to a group of just 10 riders. Rain fell heavily on Chelmsford when the heavily on Cheimstora when the 63 starters headed out towards Essex marshes. An immediate lead was established by Northern strongmen, Jarvis, of Chesterfield, and Swailes, from Teesside, soon joined by 1980 winner Galloway, of Luton, and Bath, his team-mate. Their lead grow to true minutes joined by 1980 winner Galloway, of Luton, and Bath, his team-mate.

Their lead grew, to two minutes as they approached a five-mile stretch of treacherous farm tracks. Behind the four leaders, a compact bunch of 60 riders became a broken line of 30. Service-crews ran out of spare wheels as potholes and grit claimed a record number of purcture victims, inclu-ding Downs, the race favourite. Others crashed on mud left by

farm vehicles, some ending their day's efforts in roadside ditches. From the chaos, Bloor, from Chesterfield, emerged with Davies, of Stoken-on-Trent, to join the four front meb. Ironically, it was on one of the few stretches of main road that Galloway hit a puddle-filled pothole and crashed out. Bath droped hack on the first of three successive climbs to Danbury Village. Swalles also fel hack and Jarvis was next to weaken, leaving only Blo orand Davies at the front

the front.

with 20 miles remaining With 20 miles remaining and the leaders entering another series of serpentine farm tracks holding a 40-second advantage the vital counter-attack was made by Swinnerton, Wild and Thomas, an in-form rider from Liverpool. Unluckily, Thomas punctured on the first concrete surface track, to be replaced by Elliott, 19, who chased alone to make a from group of five. Ten miles from home, Davies weakened and Bloor punctured, leaving three men to contest the sprint. RESULTS: t. M. Swinnerion (Stoke CC) aby Phila Deec: 2 M. Elliott (Butland CC) 1.8 (b): 5, R. taid (Lakes BC) 1.8 (b): 5, R. taid (Lakes BC) 1.8 (b): 5, R. taid (Lakes BC) 1.8 (b): 5, S. Cornell (Lakes BC) 1.8 (b): 5, S. Sadisr (Europa) 1.8.39 c, T. Stevens 1.54 Nomads) 1.8.59

Rugby League

The chance to shut up shor passes Warrington by splendid goals into the with Penalties by Burke and Hesic made the score 12-8 to Wide then Cunningham chached a rolling over the Warington before the high Widnes try, with the other tree winds were small By Keith Macklin

The shopkeepers of Widnes have happily resigned themselves for the rifth time in seven years to the rifth time in seven years to a disastrous Saturday in early May. The town will empty yet again on the second of the month following the commining and professional 17-9 Widnes victory over Warrington in Saturday's Challenge Cup semi-final at Wigan. Widnes, the Rugby League computer which, fed by the word Wembley, produces teem work, power and skill of clinical nearperfection wore down the favourites and travel yet again to the stadium that is now regarded as

perfection was allowed the large ourities and travel yet again to the stadium that is now regarded as their second home ground.

In so doing they gave Warrington a seven point lead but came back before half-time with two beautifully worked tries and, in the second half, fierce tacking and a try from Cunningham kept them well clear of Warrington's desperate efforts. Warrington ware rubbing thair hands when Martyn, Potter and Mike Kelly gave Bevan a simple run in and Hesford kicked the goal. When Burke sent his kick-off straight into touch Hesford accepted the long range gift penalty and it was 7—0.

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From then on, however, Widnes ruled. Wright finished off excellent handling with a torpedo dive at the corner, Adams tem over Burke, and Burke kicked two

the other two points were supplied Burks.

In praterday's League game Castleford went to the top of I championsing, sponsored Staforn Lager, by beating # 23-15 before a Humberside tree of 11.705. Hull, who had Waln seat off, led 11-5 at half-time tell away in the second hagainst the skillul Castleford if for whom Finch had an outsaling game, providing tries, pla the other two points were suppl ing game, providing tries, placed ing game, providing tries, placed in the kick goals and a drop-goal.

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In the second division a croof more than 7.000 at york 5 the leaders con-olidate the position and damage the challen of Fulliam with a 15-10 victory a thrilling game. The brilling winning try from the York cent a thrilling game. The brillio winning try from the York cent Sheard, came seven minutes for the end.

Equestrianism

World champions impress

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris
Lucinda Prior-Paimer, with
Killaire, who won Badminton in
1979, and Rolf Schmidt of
Austria, with Moran, dressage
Champion des Algres, disputed the
dressage lead, divided by just one
point, in the first advanced section
of the Midiand Bank classes at
Brigstock Horse Trials yesterday.
When Killaire hit a show jump he
dropped back to fifth place and
the Austrian horse went on to
win from young Bridget Ensten,
who sent Ruth McMullen's Carbrooke Charles across country like brooke Charles across country like

a scatted cat.

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Tango of the United States, the
reigning world champtons, put un
a performance that was a hundred
per cent more impressive than the
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Rachel Bayliss and Manager Minstrel made all the running the second section, with the bedressage and the fastest croscountry, to wir by nine pain from the American pair. Richard Walker won the third section 6. Chris Collins kinallen. He will delighted tween decided feeath Chris Colling be given the rid delighted be given the rid when the iwner decided recent to hang he his boots after a behavioral. Another youngsten the rid will be hand and he will be hand the roungsten on wilajor Derek Allhusen Layman, beating Captain Marrythips on the Range Rove am's Lincoln with a faster cross tountry round.

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Highbury—graveyard of the great

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Fostball Correspondent

Arsenal were watched by 47,058 people, their second largest crowd at the season, at Highbury on Saturday. Many of them seemed less interested in encouraging the from team than in mecking Liverpool with such banalities as "You're not champions any tree". The proverbial are should have gone unrecerded, yet in a way it was the symbolic voice of frustration from supporters of a cale who have the power and the frustration from supporters of a succeed Liverpool as champions.

The Championthip having taken on unrevealing step with Inswich Town and Aston Villa winning at home, the outcome of Arsenal's match became important as a guide to where the prize would exemually rest. Arsenal are not entirely without ambitions, a Lefa Cup place still being possible, but more consequentially they are able to have an influence over the title and relegation because their remaining fixtures include matches against Ipswich, Aston Villa, Brighton and Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Their unbeaten home record was not seriously imperilled by a Liverpool team ruminating on Widnesday's Football League Cup replay against West Ham United

was not seriously imperilled by a Liverproof team ruminating on Widnesday's Football League Cupreplay against West Ham United at Villa Park, and it remains an obstacle to any visiting side. Villa have yet to play at Highbury, where, if they do as well as Irovich last Christmas, they will still only draw.

Liverpool gave a moderately convincing impression of shaking Arsenal's rickety defence, but after losing Souness with a back injury that will probably keep him from the Cup replay, they failed to 20 into a higher gear that can still be selected when need drives. It was as if the combination of a poor record in London, years without a League victory at Highbury, last season's unsuccessful and seemingly interminable FA Cup series against Arsenal, and the imminence of another cun tie persauded them that the occasion did not merit passionate commitment.

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The game was won by a single strange coal after 21 minutes. Stapleton's header across the goalmouth appeared to be going beyond Sunderland's reach, but he dived with his hand so positioned that no one outside the immediate area would say whether he headed or slapped the ball over the line. Television made out that there was conclusive evidence that it was a fair goal, but the camera was in no position to judge, and Sunderland scampered away with an impish beam that could have meant anything.

Liverpool had ample time to recover, and no cause to complain of ill luck, because even before the disputed goal Stapleton twice had clear chances to beat Clemence, but was unusually careless. These mistakes were contained in an enjoyable first half embracing some pleasant movements from both teams. Nicholas, recently bought from Crystal

Until then Sunderland could be

midfield and Sansom made several perky sprints all the way down the left side. Sunderland, Indus-

the left side. Supplerland, Industrious and sharp, played as well as anyone could remember.

Liverpool again looked to have a better balance when Case arrived and Daiglish was the most mercurial forward on a day when the mercury rose to the mid-60s. Unfortunately, the football of the second half was unmistakably of the early 80s, energetic, without inspiration. The standard of ball control and passing confirmed all of the most critical reactions to England's performance against England's performance against Spain at Wembley last week, Most of the players were inter-

Most of the players were internationals, yet one of the lew contributions of real originality came from the uncapped Case, whose elever overhead kick hit the crossbar as Liverpool put Jennings under pressure. At least British goalkeeping can still look the world in the eye, Jennings made two astonishing saves from Daiglish, as well as an involuntary deflection from a slice of pure comedy by Young, who was trying to clear his lines.

Although Souness is pessimistle about his chonces of playing against 'Yest Ham. Thompson appeared in a reserve game on Saturday and will be available for the good of the defence. Meanwhile, West Ham's defence could be weakened by the loss of Martin, who strained an ankle during a 1—1 draw at Bolton, Rom Greenwood's message to England players is always that he

expects no more than that they should play to the best of their club form. He was again disappointed last week and yet within three days the players who within three days the players who were so letharcic against Spain were tormenting League defences. Francis scored twice in a minute in Nottingham Forest's 2—1 win over the troubled Norwich City team, and Martiner dt. the same as Ipswich beat Sunderland 4—1 after being a goal down in 20 minutes.

Leicester City, who had a valuable victory at Wolverhampton, and Norwich are in no position to rely on the faults of others, but a glance above reveals that Covenny are descending into difficulties. Since being beaten by West Ham in the League Cup difficulties. Since being beaten by West Ham in the League Cup semi-final, they have lost concentration and a home 1-0 defeat by Tottenham Horspur left them worrying about the fact that their young and promising team may not have the experience to ward off a late season crisis.

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Similarly, Chelsea's earlier confidence that they would be promoted from the second division was almost forgotten when losing 1-0 at Newcastle. Perhaps they, too, would benefit from one or two more mature players.

ARSENAL: P. Jordings; J. Devine, K. Sanson, B. Talbet, D. D'Leury, W. Young, J. Hallins 'sub. P. Davis! A. Sunderland, C. Sabatoun, P. Nichalm, G. Elx. Liverpool: R. Clemenre: P. Nell. A. Konnedy, C. Inwin, R. Kennedy, A. Hansen, K. Dajalish, S. Lee, S. Hengiway, T. McDermont, G. Souness (sub. J. Case).

Refere R. G. Challis (Tonbridge).

England's Dolittles learn a new line from Lerner in the negative. Having later made up for his share in the early errors at Wembley, he continued his atonement. He worked tirelessly, like "a labourer among artists", as he puts it modestly.

The glaring gap in the English game's learning which was exposed on the international stage at Wem-Authren's equaliser a minute before half-time was as important as it was cunningly conceived. It came as a reward for their efforts to shake off the lethargy. The goal was a replica of Muhren's winning shot for The Netherlands against France in midweek, a direct free kick curled over the wall and in off the white with the accuracy of a champion snooker player. This took a special talent, but much of the Dutchmen's skill is merely the result of proper schooling in the basics.

Until then Sunderland could be bley last week, emerged again on Saturday within one of our leading campuses. This time it took only two foreigners to turn 25,000 faces red, a paler shade of red only be-cause the pair play for Ipswich Town. It left you wondering, if Alan Jay Lerner would excuse it, why can't an Englishman be more like a Dutchman?

The contribution of Muhren and Thisten to Ipswich's continuing success story has seldom been more scholarly than it was here. While their muscular British classmates lumbered along, the spindly Dutchmen strove, with commonsense and subtlety, to extricate lossich from the predicament they placed themselves in, almost from the kick-off, against a Sunderland side who for 62 minutes competed with a determination and confidwith a determination and confid-ence usually left in the cloakroom by opposing sides at Portman

The fact that Ipswich gave Sunterland the ball from the start
was a help. And the clumsy way
n which Ipswich attempted to
emedy a string of minor disasters,
ulminating in a collision in which
litche had to leave the field pernamently before he had broken
west, was a further sign of imending calamity.

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Striker of the match that can light the Villa fire

By Stuart Jones Aston Villa 2

Southampton 1 Aston Villa's matchbox grows lighter. They have only seven natches left and Lucifer only knows how many damp ones remain. The one at White Hart Lane nine days ago and this one at bome failed to ignite. With Leicester City catching fire, Villa will need to strike an inspired spark or two during their visit there on Saturday. The man to provide it is Withe,

conspicuously absent through suspension, and no one will welcome his return more than Shaw. Like a traditional centre forward, Withe takes punishment and responsibility; Geddie his substitute, is not and does not. Without his usual partner, Shaw looked half the under-21 international he has become this season.

forgiven for thinking it might be forgiven for thinking it might be their day; even the ball wore their colours. Then in the sixty-second gainute it all came to a full stop, like a runnway horse gone lame. From Muhren's corner Mariner was first in an manarked queue and nodded in. It made non-sense of all that had gone before. A minute later this fine onnor-Villa did not belp by continually hitting long high balls as though they were alming at Withe's heaven-bent ghost. They made matheaven-bent gnost. They made matters worse by ignoring Morley,
who went through Golac tater in
the afternoon as though he were
made of Macedonian mist. They
made it even worse, specially in
the first balf, by seeing how often
they could be caught in possession, the nearer to danger the
better. It was championship
roulette.

sense of all that had gone before.

A minute later this fine opportunist was back there again to finish off Brazil's good work. It was a slap in the face for indiscipline and one which Hionigan returned during injury time for O'Callaghan's cheek. After imaginary cards were brandished insult was added to ignominy for the departing Hinnigan, who turned in time to see O'Callaghan make space from the ensuing free kick for Thijssen to slot home. roulette.

They should have lost and almost did. Southampton, an entertaining concoction of brilliance and incompetence, ripped eight holes through Villa's frail defensive fabric but not once did they beat Rimmer. They had been shown how to do it, too, by Evans afteronly 11 minutes, although the

move—Changon's flick, Williams's cross and Keegan's run—was worthy of a goal itself. Channon alone had four chances but Ball missed the easiest of the lot. Ten yards out and with the net filling his sights, he fired up towards the windows of the elevated boxes. Villa, if nothing else, made them pay for their indiscretions, although the crucial equaliser two minutes before the interval was scarcely credible.

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That Morley was offside when Geddis put him through seemed beyond dispute. The point of discussion was whether he was more than five yards beyond Southampton's red-and-white line. The speedy Morley does not need any starr, let alone that much, to go clear. A minute later Geddis was equally free and scored with the same ease.

Some of Southampton's aging performers are almost old enough to be the fathers of Villa's youngsters but they each still make a significant countibution. Ball, the elder statesman, remains a fine organizer, Channon opens up possibilities with his eager run-ning and Nicholl and Watson will ming and Nicholl and Watson will be dominant in the air even when they are grandfathers.

Although Mortimer, with fierce drives and remarkable precision, smacked the bottom of the righthand post in each half, it was Southampton who closed as they had opened, by missing a clear opportunity. In failing to take any of them, Southampton closed as little to their door to Europe a little to their door to Europe and kept Villa's to the title ajar. ASTON VILLA: J. Rimmer: K. Swam, G. Williams, A. Evans, K. McNapshit, D. Mordiner, D. Bremner, G. Shaw, D. Gerdys, G. Cowans, A. Morley, SOUTHAMPTON: P. Weils: J. Goisc, N. Holmos, S. Williams, D. Watson, C. Nicholl, K. Kergan, M. Channon, G. Baker, S. Moran, A. Bell Jaub, D. Purkati.

Woosnam is held up in move to alter **NASL** rules

New York, March 29.—The North American Soccer League, bowing to pressure from the In-ternational Football Federation (FIFA), yesterday announced they were suspending two controversial rules changes. The more came only a few hours before the start

only a few hours before the start of the new season.

Phil Woosnam, NASL commissioner, said in a statement that he was using his authority under the league's constitution to temporarily suspend rules allowing a 35-yard offside line and three substitutions on each side in one game. The two rules conflicted with FIFA regulations which state that the midway line should be used as the offside mark and there should be a limit of two substitutions.

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Last December FIFA ordered the NASL to comply with international rules governing offside and substitutions or face sanctions. The lederation has power to impose penalties ranging from a caution to cancellation of a league's membership. Mr Woosnam, who has been trying to work out a compromise with FIFA in recent weeks, said: "To provide FIFA with the opportunity to respond to the NASL intough the USSF (US Soccer Federation) as arranged and to demonstrate good faith to our players and referees who have been continually threatened with suspension, I bave suspended the NASL rules for offside and substitution temporarily."

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to reach an agreement, saying
FIFA had stated during the past
week that it lavoured a meeting
between FIFA, NASL and USSF
representatives to discuss the
situation. Mr Woosnam said the
USSF had not passed on information to the league. Protocol demands that leagues deal with FIFA
through their national federation.

"In the past 24 hours the NASL
have been expecting a positive
answer to a recommended solution to our problems currently
being reviewed by senior FIFA
officials," Mr Woosnam said. No
response had been received from
FIFA, probably because top USSF
officials had "not made themselves available to receive telephone calls since yesterday," he
added.

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"We find ourselves in an im-"We find ourselves in an impossible situation and officials of all franchises are outraged at the offinand trearment the League have received from the USSF," he declared. Mr Woosnam has been seeking a meeting with FIFA to press his case for the NASL to preserve their rules for this season and for FIFA to carry out an official study into them. an oricial study into them.

He maintains that NASL rules are beneficial to the game, making it more entertaining, and are essential to marketing soccer in the United States, where it faces fierce competition from established sports.

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See how they jump: three blind mice, Miller (Tottenham) Whitton and English (Coventry).

A May in March brings a smile to Leicester faces

By Vince Wright Wolverhampton 0 Leicester 1 Wolverhampton 0 Leicester I
Leicester City gained victory
almost by default at sunny
Molineux on Saturday. For this
they can thank Wolverhampton
Wanderers, who gave an inexplicably lackadaisical performance in
an appalling match. Leicester were
happy at collecting two priceless
points in their brave struggle to
avoid relegation to the second
division but no-one else was smiling.

A press colleague said at halftime that the Wolves manager,
John Barnwell, would give his
team a pep talk. Pep pills would
have been more appropriate. I
have seldom seen a side show
such a lack of urgency. At least
Leicester, umpapired and ordinary
though they were, looked busy
and interested. If Wolves play in
a similar fashion in their FA Cup
semi-final match against Tortenhom Hotspur in two weeks' time
then Spurs will have nothing to
fear.

Perhans Wolves will have more

Perhaps Wolves will have more pressing matters on their mind by the time they meet Spurs, for their league position is far from secure. Another defeat at Sunderland next Saturday and they will be looking nervously over their shoulders at the likes of Brighton and Hove Albion, Norwich City... and Leicester. For a long time this season Leicester seemed doomed to secund division football but their manager, Jock Wallace, has produced a team of battlers and this

been surprised at how easily their latest away success was obtained. Wolves missed the infectious enthusiasm of Hughes and they were so sluggish and prone to error that it was a mystery why Bell, the substitute with a knack for scoring vital goals, was not brought on earlier. The much-acclaimed strike force of Richards and Gray managed just two shots between them. May's domination of Gray was one of the main reasons for the slight edge held by Leicester. He was in such assured form that Leicester barely felt the absence of their other central defender. O'Neill, who was stretchered off before half-time and did not reappear for the second half.

O'Neill's leg injury was the one noteworthy incident in an abysmal first half. The second was only marginally better. Wolves finally stirred themselves but a good effort from Richards and a miserable miss by Clarke were followed by Leicester's winning goal in the

never-say-die attitude has been re-

cently rewarded by some unex-pected victories. Wins at Liverpool

and Tottenham were particularly praiseworthy but they must have been surprised at how easily their latest away success was obtained.

by Leicester's winning goal in the lifty-eight minute. Young threaded a pass through to Melrose who turned neatly and shot firmly past Bradshaw.

Bradshaw.

Wolverrampton Wanderers: P.
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Lynck. J. Melrore. A. Young. I. Wilson. K. Macdonald.
Referee: L. Shapler (Torquay).

Schools players shame their elders

By John Nicholls

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England 4

"The best match I've been to for a long time", was the terdict of a little boy as the contented crowd streamed away from the schools' international at Wembley. One does not know of the standard by which he judges matches, but if he regularly watches Football League games, one could see what he meant.

Both teams played with a vigour and commitment that shamed many of their elders, yet without the childish behaviour that is ever present in the adult game. Play flowed from end to end, tactics were direct and simple and the whole thing was enormously entertaining. Best of all, perhaps, for English supporters was warching a winning side.

The English boys were far too good for the Northern Irish who, although of the same age group. Is years or under, looked a couple of years belund in their development. A final score of about 7-1 would not have flattered England, who were so well organized that Ireland were given only one scoring opportunity.

That fell to their best forward, Shearer, who was given the time to pick his spot by a fine pass

Shearer, who was given the time to pick his spot by a fine pass from the right back Clarke. For a moment the English defense was a moment the English defenue was wide open, but the boy's impuet-posity bettryed him and he shot wide. This was the only time that England relaxed at the back.

In contrast, Ireland were inclined to panic whenever England attacked, which was most of the time. Their poor goalkeeper was terribly exposed and must still be having nightmares of shots homing in on him from all sides. He made two spectacular saves. He made two spectacular saves. Even hardened pros might have difficulty in dealing with Lambert. At 5ft 10in and 154lb, he is no pushover and smaller boys tended to bounce off him. He also has a powerful throw from the touch-line, which frequently caused consternation in Ireland's penalty

area. Lambert scored twice, first by being in the perfect position to receive a pass from Parkin and then tapping in a headed pass from Cooper at a corner.

Sinten scored first, after 14 minutes, which gave England the incentive to look for more and the hest goal came from the captain, Kerdake. He moved forward from midfield, exchanged a one-two with Lambert, dribbled on into the expertise of a Keegan and shot expertise of a Keegan and shot into an empty net. S. Parkin, N. Aldridge, A. Robinson, I. Marwey, D. Kerstake, J. Neal 18th, S. Crocker). P. Robin, A. Sinton, G. Cooper (add. K. Jores, M. Limbert, M. Orinni, A. Rechand, R. Cooper, M. Linton, C. Cooper, A. Parkin, R. C. Cooper, M. Linton, R. C. C. P. Reffer, A. Parkin, C. Linton, D. Schere, S. Minney, T. Keller, B. Kongede, P. Clarke &ub. S. Bayter,

Bayern spare Hamburg

extra indignity

Bonn, March 29.—Hamburg, leaders of the West German Bundesliga, suffered a crushing 6—2 defeat by Borussia Dortmund on Saturday. Manfred Burgsmueller, the league's top scorer, took his tally to 26 with two of the goals. Hamburg's only excuse was that they were missing Franz Beckenbauer and their first choice goalkeeper Uli Stein.

Bayern Munich, Hamburg's closest challengers, failed to capitalize on the leaders' fail from grace. They were beld to a 1—1 home draw by lowly 1860 Munich and are still two points adrift of Hamburg.

In the Italian league Roma beat Cagliari 1—0 to replace Juventus as the undisputed leaders. Conti scored the only goal in the 79th minute before 75.000 in the Olympic Stadium. Juventus lost 1—0 to the defending champions, Internazionale, who were indebted to an inspired performance from their Austrian forward Probaska. The goal from the Interleft winger, Muraro, in the 60th minute improved his side's chances of retaining the title.

Before only 8,000 spectators the Dutch leaders. AZ 67 Alkmaar struggled to hold on against PEC Zwolle after their international later turned out to be the only goal in the seventh minute. PEC attacked furiously for the rest of the match, but falled to penetrate goal in the seventh minute. PEC attacked furiously for the rest of the match, but falled to penetrate the solid Alkmaar defence.

Bouwens scored the winner for Feyenoard in their game at Breda and PSV Eindhoven defeated FC Twente Enschede 1—0 before 22,000 fans in one of the worst matches of the season. Twente seemed preoccupied with their visit to Kuwait which started today. The only goal was scored by PSV's Korean forward hu.

Fielding four Dapish Internationals Ajax defeated FC Groningen by the same score, with a goal from Tscheu La Ling

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Mathebula lets his admirers down From Eric Marsden

Boxing

Johannesburg, March 29

Soweto's first world title contest ended sadly for its black cirizens on Saturday when their hero, Peter Mathebula, tuniely surrendered his WBA. Itsweight title to Santos Laciar of Argentina on a seventh round technical knock-out. A multiracial crowd of nearly 30,000 was shocked into silence by Mathebula's humiliation in his first defence of the title he won in Los Angeles last December from Tae Shik Kim of South

Korea.

The bout had been planned as one of two warm-up exercises before the black champion made his first serious defence of the title. Laciar, who was outpointed by Charlie Magri at London's Albert Hall last December, was ranked only renth in the ratings and was expected to provide little more than a good workout. Now the Argentine plans to meet the No 1 contender Luis Ibarra, of Panama.

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The sturdy Argentine, who at 22 has had more than 50 professional outlings, was outhoxed by Mathebula for four rounds but landed the first real blow in the lifth to put the champion down for eight. Mathebula was then pushed backwards through the ropes. He recovered well but after two midutes of the seventh was shaken by body blows and pur down by a right to the chin. He struggled to his feet at eight but indicated to the referee, Similey Berg of Chicago, that he could not see because of a swelling over life eye and was counted out on his feet.

Mathebula, who went into the ring half a pound lighter than his opponent, maintained the sorry record of South African world champions of losing the title on champions of losing the title on the first defence. It was, nevertheless, an historic occasion for Soweto with black and white sportsmen mingling in harmony. At the ringside the Minister for Cooperation and Development, Dr Piet Koornhof, sat only a few seats away from radical black politicians. Dr Koornhof and his party remained standing to attention as the official South African and Argenting anthems were followed by the singing of "Nkosi Sikelele Afrika", the black anthem.

anthem.
There had been much con-troversy over which anthem should be played and a militant political group, the Azanian People's Organisation, had called on blacks to ignore the event as part of the sports boycott against South Africa. It relented with two

Leonard takes his time but wins with ease

Syracuse, New York, March 29,
Sugar Ray Leonard stopped his fellow American Larry Bonds with fellow American Lerry Bonds with
two quick rights in the tenth
round of a scheduled 15-round
fight last night to retain his
World Boxing Council (WBC)
welterweight title. Leonard, aged
24, knocked Bonds down in the
fourth round and dominated
throughout, scoring with several
combinations before the final
punches which caused the referce,
Arthur Mercante, to stop the fight,
Bonds; aged 29, from Denver,
Colorado, gave Leonard some Arthur Mercante, to stop the fight. Bonds, aged 29, from Denver, Colorado, gave Leonard some problems early in the fight with his speed of foot, which enabled him to evade the champion for the first three rounds, but he showed little ability to hurt Leonard with his punches. All three judges had Leonard comfortably ahead when the end came.

Leonard, who will fight Ayub Kalule, of Uganda, for the World Boxing Association (WBA) light-middleweight title in June. was making his first appearance in the ring since regaining his title from Roberto Duran, of Pausmo, in November. The crowd booed him for not winning with an early knock-out, but Leonard said: "I had to be cautious. I really didn't know what he had." It was Leonard's twenty-ninth victory Bonds, a dustman, was pleased with his performance. "Nobody expected me to go two rounds with him." he said. He earned \$25,000 from the fight, while Leonard received a reported \$750,000.

In Atlantic City, New Jersey, Michael Spinks, the world's number one light-heavyweight contender, knocked out the former champion, Marvin Johnson, in the fourth round.

Aird may have missed his own bus

By Srikumar Sen
Roxing Correspondent
If you are a Billy Aird supporter
be un the bus that leaves either
London or Liverpool for the Aston
Villa Sports Centre today. No
fares, please. It is a free ride (Aird
is shelling our £1,300) but you will
be required to shout your head off
as your hero tries to lift the
vacant British heavyweight title
while Gorden Ferris, of Enniskillen, very much a Brummde now,
tries to make his face resemble
the back of a bus.
Ferris believes that the 35-yearold London publican is not only
pouring his money down the spill
pan but may have missed the bus
as well. For a year ago Ferris beat
him on points. Still, if you like a
good sing-song. Nor was Ferris's
dictory as clercum well between him on points. Still, if you like a good sing-song. Nor was Fertis's victory as clear-cut as all that.

Though Ferris possibly hits harder and is six years younger, he dues not know as much as the old pro, who has had 22 wins, 13 losses and five draws against Ferris's 15 wins and four defeats. One of these four defeats was at the big hands of Stan McLermott, who has Canadian pine floor-boards quaking at the prospect of Big Stan hitting them full in the face. Which was what happened the next time they what happened the next time they nier.
Aird has had a few bright

Ard has had a few bright patches in his 10-year slog; as when he floored John L. Gardner in the first round, laid into an unbeaten Denton Ruddock, fought the good fight against Alfredo Evengelista and beat Tony Moore, who on his last sighting was vastly improved.

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Yet there is a question mark over Aird's temperament which does not seem too suited to tucking in the law and getting the nose down to the wheel. For instance, after putting Gardner down in the first round, he gave up in the first round, he gave up in the first. He blamed lack of fitness. He was three years yourger then. He says he is good and ready for this one. He is at his lightest, too: 14st 1th. All the same, he has a tendency to flop on the big occasion. I expect that, after the big men heve prosped each other up for long periods, the olds will lean towards the younger one. tean towards the younger one.

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The longer term problems of w clubs with limited resources tablish themselves in the chammaship, assuming they get there, il not be occupying Blackburn wers and Notts County too epity just now. The threshold to e high life is a mere stride ay and both must be optimistic out their prospects of crossing whatever awaits on the other e. Notts County, in second ce in the second division, are ee points ahead of their closest suers and Blackburn, though "Suers and Blackburn, though pping to fourth position after urday, meet four clubs smong bottom half-dozen in their

bottom half-dozen in their seven matches.

I hopes mature into reality, road could well be uphill. It is significant that Kendoll, ckburn's player-manager, at a ge in his career when his best ring days must be behind him, coutstandingly effective. In his th league match his perception an example, his sense of ition a guideline for those und brin. If he erred at all, vas in missing one of Blackin's best scoring chances owing a shrewd exchange with ey on the half-hour.

asson, another with a first sion pedigree, pursed County's moves from immediately not the front line, but once had plotted, and missed, a sile of early chances, preservthe of early chances, preserv-the margin of points between and Blackourn appeared to uppermost in County's

ights. heir defence was as bountiful Scrooge observing strict self-al for Lent. They channelled tiless back posses to Avra-ic, their Yugoslav goalkeeper; tactical expedient in curbing er's cagerness to get at them, as disciplined and effective. nekburn had opportunities to
for all that though they
ly miss the skills of Brothertheir Irish international
ter who will be out for the took a firm hold on the h after those early alarms. it was perhaps unfortunate those anticipating a goal or that spring has begun to show iose. In the mud of recent is, trajectories may have been or an unaccustomed dry shots went whizzing high and dessly. Garner twice got too t elevation on his shots when was an opening; McCulloch

the same for County.
I entertaining opening half was
wed by a scrappier second.
Plactburn—who have lost
once in 17 consecutive league hes kept at it cargerly. intact, as a centre by Branaped towards the angle of bar pust. Towards the angle of our pust. Towards the end.
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with a win over Partick Thistle at Fichill on Sunday.

Having led the league for most of last season, Celtic fell from grace during the run-in, and Aberdeen reached the post first to break a Celtic-Rangers monopoly which had lasted since Kilmarnock won the title in 1965 and which seemed bound to last for the rest of the century. Those who rejoiced at this disruption of the status quo tempered their enthusiasm with the thought that what Aberdeen had done once, they might not be able to repeat.

So it has proved. There was some writing on the wall when Liverpool went to Pittodrie in the European Cup, and won 1—0, following up with a 4—0 smacking at Anfield. More recently, sides a long way below Liverpool's standard have been taking league points from Aberdeen, while Celtic have been plugging steadily away, widening the margin at the top.

One reason for Aberdeen's success against the far more experi-

enced Glasgow side was their almost uncanny ability to win on Ceitic's plach. Until Saturday they had done so five-times in succession, and it was this record which gave them hope that all was not yet lost. It is now.

Aberdeen went ahead in the first baif when Harrow took a attrough-ball from McLeish and lobbed it over the goalkeeper's head. That, however, was just about the only time Bonner broke sweat.

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MacLeod wasted the best chance of the match when he took a penalty kick and hit the ball straight at Leighton, who, fortunately for him, had not decided which way to dive. Then with the last kick of the match, McCluskey seemed to bave scored the winner for Celtic; but the referee awarded the goal and then changed his mind after talking with a linesman who had apparently seen an offence everyone else missed.

Referee: K. Hope (Glasgow).

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It alrered the result, but not the
desenation of the championship.
McCluskey's goal five minutes
from time after Provan ran down
the right and gave him the pass,
defeated Aberdeen as surely as if
both points had been taken.

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Scalion.

Referee: K. Hose (Glassow).

Portsmouth drop vital point Portsmouth's experiment with Sunday football proved a double disappointment for them yesterday. A crowd of only 12,243— 2,000 below their average gate this season— saw them drop a point in their challenge for promouton from the third division when they were held to a 1—1 draw by Oxford United. Gregory gave Porsmouth the

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Gregory gave Porrsmouth the lead after only two mitutes when his mis-hit shot struck Briggs and rickled past the Oxford goal-keeper Burton. Cassells headed as equalizer after 10 minutes and Oxford came close to taking both points. Foley had an effort disallowed for offside and in the second half Mellor saved a Shotton penalty, awarded for a foul by Aizlewood, on Cassells.

In division four, Torquay United

Aizlewood, on Cassells.

In division four, Torquay United had Weston, their midfield player, sent off for persistent dissent as they beat Aldershot 2—0. Torquay went ahead in the twenty-second minute with a penalty, after Wooller had fouled Coffill. Jones saw Johnson save his spot kick, but he scored from the rebound. Cox headed the second goal from Weston's corner 15 minutes later to seal Aldershot's first defeat in eight games. The crowd of 2,086

heart agack, but an investigation was being carried out into the chest pains. It is believed that Heard, who has not played in the senior side this season, has a virus condition and will be detained in hospital for a few days. Third division
Portuguate (1) ? Orders
Gassells
12:243 Weston's corner 15 minutes later to seal Aldershot's first defeat in eight games. The crowd of 2,086 was less than Torquay's average attendance and 400 down on their last Sunday game.

Houghton, the Wigan striker, scored all three of his side's goals in the 3-2 victory at Tranmere Rovers in front of Prenton Park's

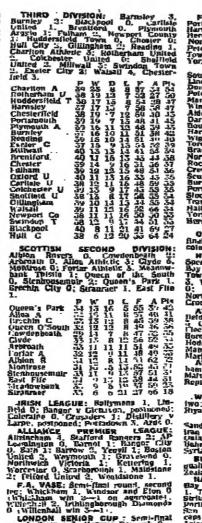
refliced the arrears before halftime. Houghton ensured victory
with his shird goal four minutes
from time. Kelly adding Tranmere's second three minutes later.
Heard, Aston Villa's £100.000
midfield player was yesterday
described as "very comfortable"
in hospital after being rushed there
on Saturday following a heart
attack scare. Heard, aged 21, who
made mine appearances last season
after moving from Everton, was
taken to the Good Hope Hospital
in Sutton Coldfield after suffering
chest pains in training.

A hospital spokesman said yesterday that Heard had not had a
heart attack, but an investigation

Weekend fixtures and tables









Bandwagon

rolls over

wind-blown

Nottingham

By this impressive victory at

out to win at Gosforth next Satur-

day and the holders. Leicester— provided that they can first over-come London Scottish at the Ath-letic Ground—would then at the climax find foemen worthy of their steel at scrummage and maul.

steel at scrummage and maul.

The story at Nottingham is clearcut enough. Gosforth gave their
hosts first use of a stiff southwesterly but Nottingham needed
far more than three points in the
bank when they turned round to
face the elements. Their centre,
Bennett, landed one penalty goal
but missed two others that were
eminently kickable. His midfield
colleague. Northard, missed
another from longer range.

These failures may not have

These fallures may not have affected the result but Gosforth had a lot less to do as they set their formidable bandwagon to roll. And roll is the operative word. Rolling mauls, a solid scrummage—as compared with Nortingham's which so often was under treestly and the statement of the results of the results

Nottingham's which so often was under pressure—and a dominant performance at the lineout where Bainbridge ruled affairs after a muted first half against Nixon. Behind all this Young's choice of play at scrum half remained as knowing as ever and the backs accepted their chances with efficient zest. The side exuded an impression of knowing where it wanted to go and exactly how to get there.

get there.

Gosforth have three good centres in the persons of Breakey, McMillan and McDowell. The last-named now played on the left wing with enough pace, skill and strength to make it difficult for the injured Gustard to get his place back. There was never a doubt about the outcome during a second half in which Gosforth scored five penalty goals and two tries. Johnson kicked two of the penalties and so did Patrick, on one occasion with an enormous left-footed blow from his own 10 metres line. Young got the last of them but missed another well within his compass.

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The tries were splendidly executed but there was an element of luck in the build-up to both of them. McDowell got the first after at ambitious drop shot by Johnson had been charged down and the hall came back into the stand-off's hands. Young set up a short side move and McMillan made the running before delivering a scoring pass.

The second occurred when Notsingham, in the course of a brave rally, were exploring the open spaces, which seemed their only

spaces, which seemed their only hope of an unlikely salvation. Their lively full back. Bedford, saw his filp pass rebound off Holdstock's shoulder directly into the hands of McMillan who had a clear run to the line from 65 metres out.

Gosforth 23

Rugby Union

Doubt over Rose's availability to tour

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent

Beset already by problems in the front row, the England selec-tors, whose team for the tour of Argentina will be announced on Thursday morning, may have to reconcile themselves to being without the full back, Marcus Rose. England's latest number one. Rose. England's latest number one. In that position, who is in the second year of a land economy course at Cambridge University, is due to sit important examinations during the tour, for which the team will depart on May 11. It was reported several weeks ago that Rose and Huw Davies, the England stand-off had been given England stand-off, had been given clearance to tour by the Cam-bridge authorities. I understand bridge authorities. I understand that there are no problems as far as Davies is concerned, but the letest state of play regarding Rose does not sound at all encouraging from the standpoint of English rugby. Because his absence from the tour party would be such a sorry loss, one hopes that those who order such affairs at the university may be able to make alternative arrangements for him. Happily, there are no problems

Happily, there are no problems about the availability of "Dusty" Hare, who lost his place to Rose for the past two championship matthes. But in the event of Rose matthes, but in the event of Rose being unable to travel the selectors have no candidate with an irrefutable claim for the second full back position.

The Moseley captain, Martin Cooper, who won 10 England caps as a stand-off, and another as a control in New Tolland the average.



Rose : Argentina may not be on his horizon.

Scottish, was inspected on Saturday by one of the national selectors, John Young. My information is that he did not do much to enhance his claims.

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Ian Mettlafe, a Cambridge Blue and an England B player, would have been strongly in the running on his form of a year or two ago-Now he cannot command a regular place for Sale, who have preferred Sid Lowden, the promising Under-23 squad member. Other candidates are Philip Cue, of Bristley was evolved and promise the programment. as a stand-off, and another as a centre in New Zealand, is a versarice of Alastair Hignell earlier in the season, but not too many, I has had a good season for his club. His form, against London I watched him.

The Bristol stand-off. David Sorrell, has had pleuty of experience as a full back, and there is Billy Busbell, of Harlequins and London. But, week in, week out, probafly the soundest player of all in the position is Brian Patrick, of Gosforth. Patrick first played of Gosforth. of Gosforth. Patrick first played for the North at the tender age of 17 and, because he has been around a long time, one tends now to think of him as something of a veteran. But he femains comfortably on the right side of 30, he does the nitty-gritty jobs well and, though not notably fast, he commensates by knowing just when compensates by knowing just when to lend himself to his three-quarter line.

their point but too late

Leicester 6 Sale were desperately keen to Sale were desperately keen to beat Leicester to prove, at least to their own satisfaction, that the better team lost the John Player Cup quarter-final game. They did so decisively at Brooklands on Saturday, by three tries and a dropped goal to Leicester's two penalty goals, but events were not quite as they might seem.

Leicester's reclacements for the

Leicester's replacements for the absent Woodward, Cusworth, Wheeler, Redfern and Collington played well individually but teamwork was affected. The pack, dominant in the first half, fell away when an injury to Ian Smith brought Gavins a near forward. brought Gavins, a prop forward, into the back row as replacement.

ment.

In the first balf, when Leicester's forward supremacy was helped by a strong wind, Kenney, at scrum half, used his opportunities shrewdly. Dodson showed his potential at stand-off and the centres, Dodge and Hall, ran the ball speedily.

Remembering that his four penalty goals and a conversion defeated them at Leicester, Sale put Hare under heavy pressura which he survived. His experience chabled him to sense his opponents' intentions and he had much to do with their first half subto do with their first half subjugation. Another luminary of the international scene, Steve Smith, kept Sale in contention and he directed their second half surge to victory.

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less first half a penalty by Hare was the only score. When he repeated this success early in the was the only score, When he repeated this success early in the second half Sale got the message and went in to ortion. Better possession gave Smith more opportunity. Phillips, his standoff, and the centres, Wright and Stausfield, ran on to passes with more confidence. A run by Phillips, carried on by Lawson, a fast and eager loose forward, failed to give Oliham a try because the final pass was forward but from the ensuing scrum the ball was sawing along the line to Poole who scored in the opposite corner. An ineffective passing movement started by Leicester on their own line allowed Sale to break through and Phillips to scramble another try, which he followed with the dropped goal. Sale's final try, scored by Davidson, again resulted from passing across the field in which forwords and backs were joyously united. Had Metcalfe been on target with the conversions or several penalty awards, the score would have been a Sale bonarca. awards, the score would have been a Sale bonanza.

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Sale make | Scottish have good reason for confidence in Cup

By David Hands
London Scottish 15

The Scottish will bear London's pride into the semi-final round of the John Player Cup with confidence enhanced after beating their fellow semi-finalists, Moseley, at the Athletic Ground on Saturday. There will be changes of personnel in both sides before next wackend but, even allowing a certain reserve for players whose minds may be on higher things, Scottish have justifiable cause for confidence.

They won by two goals and a penalty goal to two tries and a dropped goal, an entertaining game, well-referred and never lacking in commitment or skill. The most surprising aspect of their success was the way they dominated the strummages and stared the lineout with Moseley's accomplished and experienced Field and Ayre. Moseley, with two second choices in the front row, desperately need to raise their game at the set pleces if they are to survive against Gosforth next Saturday.

Moreover, Scottish, even without McHarg (relaxing in the company of the third XV) and Biggar (relaxing with the Co-Optimists in Hongkong), came to gradual superiority in the loose. With Tedford snapping at their heels and Gordon looking sharp in the contre, the only worry must be that the London merit table leaders do not score the points their geographical dominance war-

that the London merit table leaders do not score the points their geographical dominance warrants. With three-quarters of the game gone they trailed by five points; their margins of victory all season have tended to be economic, if not downright mean. The spectator who, deep into injury time, cried earnestly: "It's twenty to five, referee", was only expressing the frustrations of a

crowd who so often have seen their side in a position where success can still be stolen away.

Despite a splendid all-round game by Gourlay, Scottish will hope their leading points scorer, Grant, will have recovered from the injury sustained in their cop quarter-final against Gloucester. Moseley will have a difficult decision to make at centre, where they lost Watson-Jones on Saturday with a badly gashed forehead which required stitching. His fitness may be doubtful and his replacement, Akenhead, is also unfit.

replacement, Akanhaad, is also unlit.

Archer, a tidy stand-in for Perry, opened the scoring with a dropped goal after a flying Moseley wedge had carried play to the Scottish line. Tedford scissored with Gordon from a tapped penalty for the Scot, to slice through and hand on to Hume for a well-worked try improved by King. Before half-time, however, Cooper had appeared twice in a move covering 60 metres and Thomas, with a subtle change of pace, squeezed in at the corner.

Moseley stretched their one-point advantage shortly after Watson-Jones left the field. Snappy passing, with Cooper making the extra man, put Parker over. Neither Moseley try was converted by Cooper, which proved wital. Friell, in scoring the second Scottish try, ran round near enough to the posts for Gourlay to kick the goal and the full back added a penalty for good measure.

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Invention earns no reward

By a Special Correspondent The Army 6 The lack of sparkle in services rugby this season was amply demonstrated at Twickenham on Saturday when the Army beat the Saturday when the Army beat the RAF by two penalty goals to a try. All three matches in this year's competition have reflected a safety-first approach and it is tragic that the RAF, who produced much of the invention, should collect the wooden spoon. should collect the wooden spoon.

It was no surprise that the Army refused to take risks: they were beaten 18-11 to good ball from the lineout, largely by the menacing figure of Larter at the front and the agility of Coptcoar at the fail. Their scrummaging was spoiled by Owen's relentless harassment of Davies

Despite this shortage of possession, Shuttleworth persisted with his low, cross-field kicks and so exchanged the ball for 20 metres of ground, Nevertheless, the Army were in opposition territory long

were in opposition territory long enough for Shuttleworth to kick two good penalties.

The only try of the match was a superb movement. Orwin went on a typical, barging run towards the posts. The ball popped out to Owen, who sent Paddon blind and Aherne was at the stand-off's shoulder to take the ball over the shoulder to take the ball over the line with two men outside him. But with 15 minutes to go, the safety-first approach proved the RAF's downfall. They were awarded a penalty under the Army posts and, had they run the ball, they would surely have forced their way over. But Paddon took a place kick and missed when it seemed easier to score.

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Newbury NH

2.30: 1. Skinfilmt (16-1): 2. Broken Flight (20-1): 3. Sharp Deal (7-1): fav. Mountain Monarch 7-1)t fav. 4.40; 1, Black Red (3-1); 2, Goldon River (7-4 fav); 5, Erisht Oassis (14-1), 24 rap,

shape for Aintree

Racing Correspondent

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Philip Blacker stole the show at Newbury on Saturday by winning, both the valuable Greenbau Group Hurdle, on Skintlint, and the Kencot Handicap Steep'lchase, on Bideford. But after the programme had finished, Blacker had to be content with finishing only second on Royal Mail, his intended mount for next Saturday's Grand National in what can only be By this impressive victory at Beeston in the quarter-final round of the John Player-cup, Gosforth served notice that they ought to be installed at least as joint favourites to win the trophy for a third time. Their present side which on Saturday was short of two first choice loose forwards, looks a better balanced combination than those which won the competition in 1975 and 1977. Moseley will have their work cut out to win at Gosforth next Satur-National, in what can only be described as a somewhat unorthodox preparation which his trainer, Stan Mellor, devised for those hig fences at Aintree.

fences at Antiree.

Along with his two stable companions, Royal Stuart and Pacify, who are also under orders for the National, Royal Mail galloped two and a half miles over hurdles. Towards the end of this workout, it was Royal Stuart who was in complete command, and it was impossible not to admire the way he went. he went.

he went.

Royal Stuart was ridden by his big race jockey, Hywei Davies, who will be taking part in his first National, and Davies and Mellor were understandably delighted with his performance. By finishing fourth in the National last year, Royal Stuart proved that the Aintree fences held no terrors for him, and after seeing him work in such sparkling style. I feel bound to suggest that, at 33-1, he looks a sporting ber to finish in the first four again.

Mellor is praying for good

Mellor is praying for good weather between now and next Saturday in the Liverpool area to Saturday in the Liverpool area to enable the course there to recover from the recent soaking it has suffered. Mellor, referring to both Royal Mail and Royal Stuart, said: "They may as well stay at home if it is soft, for all the chance they would have on that sort of ground."

Another runner with a Royal

Another runner with a Royal prefix Royal Exile, has a good chance of finishing in the National money. His trainer, Fred Winter, who has twice ridden and twice trained the winner, said: "Re is well and I'm convinced that he will last it out. Furthermore, he is a clever jumper. He needs to be, because he is a shade on

How Last Love

Last Love was a surprise winner

Last Love was a surprise winner of the group three Prix Penelope at St Cloud on Saturday. This unfashionably bred filly was second into the straight and took over from Leandra entering the final furlong. She stayed on strongly under pressure to hold off Leandra Landresse, who fin-

off Leandra, Landresse, who fin-ished well, and Viverba, who had led into the straight

Last Love ended 1980 by fin-ishing fifth, a little over two lengths behind the winner, Tropi-caro, in the Prix Marcel Boussac.

caro, in the rits marcel Boussac.
However, Tropicaro won that race
comfortably and seemed an
obvious favourite on Saturday. She
moved up from minth to fifth on
the turn, but could make little
progress in the straight.

conquered all in Paris From Desmond Stoneliam French Racing Correspondent

Paris, March 29

the small side, but so was Team Spirit, and that did not stop him."

him."

Winter, speaking after he had won the last race at Newbury with Black Rod, said he had contemplated asking John Francorne to ride Royal Exile, but upon reflection had decided against it. "It would mean him carrying at least 61b overweight, and John has never ridden him." he said. "In the circumstances I think "In the circumstances I think that it would be not only untair, but also unwise to take Ben de Haan off, especially as he has a cool head and rides with a length of leg that is ideal around Aintree."

Josh Gifford was another trainer with whom I discussed the National and he also had encouraging things to say about his runner. Aldaniti. "He is very, very well and I believe that he is the class horse at the weights," he said. The Findon trainer went on to say that he had no qualms about Aldaniti lasting the equine equivalent of yesterday's London marathon, only about him getting over the first three fences safely, as he is such a bold jumper and has a tendency to be a little free early on.

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"Once he's over them. I'll relax." Gifford went on, which is more than many will be doing, and none more so than Aldaniti's rider, Boh Champion, for whom the race, whatever the result, can only amount to a dream come true, when one remembers that his life was endangered by cancer 12 months ago.

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Rambling Jack, who emerged
as a leading National contender
after winning at Ayr in January,
has developed heat in a leg and
will miss Ainree. And his jockey,
Geordie Dun, may now ride Ken
Oliver's other National hope,
Three to One. Three to One. Jack of Trumps will

he another absentee. He goes for the Sun Ratings Steeplechase

Royal Stuart in good Levy Board purchase shares in Moorestyle

will be standing at the National Stud. The price poid to Mocre's International Furnishings of Wetherby places a value of \$2.2m on the four-year-oid.

Moorestyle's early season programme will include the Duke of York Stakes, the Kings Stand Stakes and the July Cup. It has been agreed between the company's chairman. George A. Moore and Lord Porchester, the chairman of Stallion Advisory Committee, that Moorestyle will race in the form's colours again this year.

Sir Desmond Plummer, the

Sir Desmond Plummer, Sir Desmond Plummer, the chairman of the Levy Board, has expressed his gratitude to Mr Moore for accepting a bid lower than several made from abroad. Mr Moore said: "I am proud to have this opportunity of sharing the success of a Eritish company with the British racing industry."

Robert Armstrong is delighted not only with the fact that he will be continuing to train Moorestyle, but also with the progress that the horse has made "Moorestyle, but also with the progress that the horse has made. "Moore-style has done extremely well from three to four. And we intend to try him over a mile later in the season when races like the Sussex-Stakes and the Prix du Moulin are possible targets."

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As anticipated the draw decided the result of the William Hill Lincoln Handicap at Doncaster on Saturday. The moment the stells opened most of the runners made for the far side of the track. Ray Cochrane on Saher was able to let his horse run from his draw (nine). "I rode the horse all wrong as Saher needs to he hald up. But we were going so well that I had to let him stride on ". Cochrane said. Both he and Ron Sheather, the winning trainer, are to be congratulated.

Commiserations are due, how-

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By Michael Seely

Twenty five shares in Moorestyle, the 1980 racchords of the year, have been purchased by the Horserace Betting Levy Board. From 1982 onwards Moorestyle will be standing at the National Study. The price paid to Moorestyle international Furnishings of Wetherby places a value of \$2.2m on the four-year-oid.

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or my follow out the follow's charlest on the female Heroma Hollow's charlest on the less trill finded by only talk a length. Storyey had richien a marticilist, rate and large of the received in it's maining of the received. In the course, said: "At the number we don't know why this happing. The grains were laid in 1922 and as far as I know they haven't been looked at for 15 to 20 years. But chronish we will now have to evaming the situation closely." My Firth can say that easin. Saturday's result proved that smepon height in the thank of the shaun's may it handlespe to just a waste of time.

Reg Hollinshead has been quiet off the mark this states. Batto sadered two nimmers and a secon. at Dimeaster. This eftermion a Apr the Staffordshire trainer he a sporting chance of landing treels with Scarlet Town, Mr. Value and Contaught Lymph Scarlet Town showed a filter found as a two-year-old ancould be too good for Java Tige and Record Surprise in the Lad Eirk Stakes. furk Stakes.

Nice Value runs in the Scaffel Handkap, Marillo, second in in year's Ayr Gold Cup, is fancie to give Bid Watts and Edvar Bide their first success as a team of Nicturnal Boy has also bee shining in his work at home. Bi Nive Value still looks a soun each-way bet.

At Leicester Harwood can ca ture the Simon de Montfort Maid Stakes with Ridgefield. The Sustitutioner's horses are jumping of their skins and Ridgefield expected to be one of the stable ever, to Guy Harwood and Greville early winners.

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widenstein s Arater house best placed in the early stages to take the French turt's richest handicap, worth 500,000 francs (\$100,000) to the winder.

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3-1 Estate Agent, 4-1 Blackhawk Star, 5-1 Nasir, 11-2 Spring Rocket. "Dogbygg runner. MEXHAM NH SELECTIONS (By Our Racing Staff): 2.30 Lord Melbourner 3.0 Stag Party, 3.30 Gold Showeler, 4.0 Weymouth Road, 4.30 After Shave, 5.0 Estate Agent.

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2.15 KNIGHTON STAKES (2-y-o: £923: 5f)

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3 0000- Best Tradition, M. Naughton, 4-9-12
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3.15 WELFORD STAKES (Handicap: £2,449: 7 1002- Ditton Wood, H. Wragg, 4-10-0 .. Eddery 11 3 030-2 Dayldgalaxy Affair, F. Yardies, 4-2-9

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By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Kiki Mouse, 2.48 Super Epple, 3.15 Stand Ea 3.45 Feltwell, 4.15 Ryecroft, 4.45 Russian Roman By Our Racing Staff 2.15 Superb Singer, 2.45 Roybirdie, 3.15 Stand Fa 3.45 Ridgefield, 4.15 Duke of Britann, 4.45 Gemili-By Michael Seely 3.45 RIDGEFIELD is specially recommended.

3.15 ALDINGTON HANDECAP (£996: 5f)

4.15 KIBWORTH STANES (3-y-o : £1.382 : 11r

. 9-2 Gima, A-1 Duke of Printary, 4-1 Natisto Freez, Silver Lee, 12-1 Makeedy 11-1 others.

4.45 LODDINGTON STAKES (3-v-o : 2956 : 66)

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2.15 ALKHAM HANDICAP (Selling: £610: 6f) 1 1000- Sirawman, A. Davison, 4-10-0. Howes 14
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4 /000- Jagalet, W. Hastings-Bass 5-8-13 McKeown 5
5 2000- Mines Copper, R. Hoad, 3-8-10 Kinberisy 7
7 0000- Winde Up, S. Maithews, 5-8-8. Salmon 3
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10 0000- Bihas Bounty (B), A. Pitt, 5-8-6 Waldron 11
11 0000- Steepline Gold (B), P. Cundell, 4-8-5 13 1000- Vecys, A. Bailey, 5-8-2 ... Perkins 15
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16 00/0- Sizel Link, R. Hoad, 4-7-15 ... Clark 5 6
18 3400- Dawn's Belight, R. Ivory, 5-7-7 Howard 7 12
20 4000- Tears of Gold, Pat Mitchell, 5-7-7 Hamm 7 1
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Steepline Gold, 8-1 Sweet Mark, Boy, 9-1 Winda Up, 10-1
Strawman, 13-1 Jagatek, 14-1 Last Bus, 16-1 others.

2.45 KINGSNORTH HANDICAP (£1.350: 11m)

2.30 KIDSNEUK STAKES (2-y-o: £800: 5f)

3.30 SEAFIELD HANDICAP (£2,970: 6f)

11 0232- Doputy (D), J. FunGerald, J-7-10 Guille 5 2 12 0040- Our Foxbar (C), M. Naughton, 5-7-7 Paul Edder, 5 6 3-1 Markio, 4-1 Nociumal Boy, 5-1 O. 1 Ossion, 7-1 Pegency Ellio, R-1 Cric Song, 10-1 Deputy, 12-1 Flash Connection, Maybrook, 16-1 others.

5.15 ALDINGTON HANDICAP (2096; 5f) 5 0.403- Kassak (D), H. O'Nelli, have a ... Fold 4 1200- Highered (CD), C. Louis, Takilli ... So for 5 4010- Fiddler (D), C. Autho, 3-8-12 ... So for 7 C02-0 Blues, W. Guest, 4-8-12 ... So for 8 2270- Sites, M. Rollon 5-3-5 ... Millian 9 000-0 Polits, Profe (D), K. Lour, 5-2-2 Clark 10 0003- Royel Bat, I. Walter Takilli ... Colorithus 11 0043- Safy's Silver, C. Bendeal, 5-7-7 forth and 12 343- Mer Excellency, J. Bridger, 3-7-7 Novemes 3 15 0000- Steasants, P. Cundell, 19-7-7 ... Caller 5-7 Novemes 1-7-3 Higheroft, 7-2 Fielder, 5-1 Blues, 7-7 Saffy; Sur 10-1 Seren, 13-1 Kalsak, Dollar's Pride, 14-2 Sicasan 16-1 others. Rheingold's Gitt. C. Fritching Reproced by Pobard, G. Lewis. 1-0 Sr. on Salmon Sallor's Rovenge, E. Berron, 1-0 Salmon Spotsylvania, J. Bethell, 1-0 Kell Toberjowic, A. Dattson, 2-0 Kell Refice, A. Pitt St. Salmoris F. Contosa, Pat Michiell, S. 11 Ramm J. Dutch Princess, 2013 A. Singlair, 8-17 Michiell St. 11 Michiel 00-23 O- Romanic Affair, Pa: Hichell, Pall
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7-4 they Charles, 5-1 Liqui Sentence, 2-1 Rheingold's R
6-1 Fitzgayle, 8-1 Robard, 14-1 others. Folkstone selections

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 1.45 Angela Edelson, 2.15 Jagatek, 2.45 Irish Fo 3.15 Blues, 3.45 Best Always, 4.15 Rheingold's G By Our Racing Staff 1.45 U-Turn, 2.15 Jagatek, 2.45 Irish Pnet, 3.15 Blu 3.45 Cardiff, 4.15 Robard,

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8 0000- What-a-Case, W. H. Williams. Longoit 7
0 03- Caernarvon Bay (D), R. Stubbs. 5-8-1 Worster
10 0000- Ochil Hills Star (C), Mrs A Bell 8-7-12
13 0000- Hallo Cheeky, J. FileGerald, 5-7-10 fry 3
14 0300- Spanish Handful, P. Stubbs. 5-7-10 fry 3
15 0300- Consent (C), d. S. Wilson. 5-7-10 fry 3
17 2449- Serpice, J. Berry, 5-7-7, Hallo Cheeky. 17 2449 Serpice, J. Berry, 1.7.7 Daries 3-2 Construt. 5-1 Serpice, 3-1 Halin Checks Nonchalain, 8-1 Carmaron Bay, 10-1 Spansh 10-1 Rusma Pink, 20-2 others.

4.30 GARNOCK HANDICAP (3-y-0: £2,729: 14 1 303. Gobbler Smith. I. Falrhurst. 0-7 Green 1 4430. Gobbler Smith. I. Falrhurst. 0-7 Green 1 4430. Gobbler Smith. I. Falrhurst. 0-7 Green 1 4430. Gobbler Smith. S. Morton. 9-4 Green 1 4430. Todorville. S. Norton. 9-4 Green 1 4430. Todorville. S. Norton. 9-4 Green 1 4430. Gobbler Smith. 1 500. Gobbler Smith. 1 600. Gobbler Smit 5.0 GREENAN STAKES (3-y-o: £769: -m 3f)

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For the record

Hockey

LONDON LEAGUE: Beckenham 1, Richmend 0: Blackheaih 1, Triddington 1: Bromley O. Guildford 0: Dulwich 4. Sponcer 2: Hampsicad 5, Mid-Surrey 0: Hawks 1 Tuise Hi 4: Maidenhead 1: Southgalo 3: Purrey 5, St Albert 1: Southgalo 3: Purrey 6: St Albert 1: Southgalo 7: Surbicon 1: Reading 1; Hounslow 3, Wimbledon 1, Reading 3: Hounslow 3, Wimbledon 1, Reading

BUENOS AIRES: Women's world championship: Group A: West Cermany 5. France 1: Argentina 6. Mezico 1. Group B: Canada 2. Beigium 1 Nether-iende 2. Australia 0: Australia 5. Spain 0: Beigium 3. Austria 1: Netherlands 4. Canada 0.

Rugby League THREE FIVES CUP: "Semi-final round: Warrington 9, Widnes 17. Yesterday

FIRST DIVISION: Barrow 19. Hull Jugston Bovers 18: Bradford Northern 6, Warrington 7; Festhersione Rovers 4. Satford 8; Hallfax 17. 5t Helens ; Hull 16. Castleford 25; Letha 25. Jugam 24: Watcheld Trunky 22, fortington Town 12. Workington town 12.
SECOND Division: Dewsbury 14.
Whitehaver 17: Hunner 11. Hudderneld 21: Huyton 13. Hermley 20.
Keighley 20. Balley 11: Rochdale
Hornets 12. Swinton 10: Wigan 34.
Doncaster 5: York 15. Fulliam 10.

Basketball

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: New York Knirks 90. New Jersey Nets 38: Washington Bullets 10th Delroit Pisions 105: Utah Jazz 112. Los Angeles Lakers 110 tovertime: Denver Nuagets 142: Dolden State Warriors LS. Washington 107: Denver 125: Pisions Teers 107: Denver 117: Portland Trail Bizzers 125: Dallar Mavericks 109: Calcago Bulls 108: Alianta Hawks 83: Houseon Rockets 91; Kanas City Kings 88: Phoenix for 124. San Diego Glopers 100: Asset 125. Lakers 97, Seatus Supersonica 90.

Snooker

Cycling MONS: International Criterium Classic: second stage (**2.5km*): 1. Bossis. Second stage (**2.5km*): 1. Bossis. Since time: 3. J. Fuchs: Switzerland). 2. J. Bossis. 21. Second Stage (**2.5km*): 1. Bossis. 21. Second Stage (**2.5km*): 2. S. Rocker (**161and). 27. Second Stage (*

Lacrosse

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Boston Bruins

Chicago Black Hawks 2: Edmonton
Olices 4: Detroit Red Wines 2: Pittshurgh Pongoins 4. New York Islanders 4: New York Rangers 6. Montreal
Canadiens 2: Toronto Mapie Leafs 9.
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Buffalo Sabres 4: Los Angeles Kings 5.
Minnesota North Stars 2: Friday's rewills Martiord Whalers 5. Washington
Capitals 3: Vancouver Cabucks 10.
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SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE:
First division: Hilleroft 4, Lee 24;
Kenion 17, Buck urst Hill 14
WOMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE
WATCH: British Universities d1.
Celific Reserves 5. Cente Reserves 5. REGIONAL TROPMY: Final: Lanca-Mire 15. Cheshire 16. Athletics

Rifle shooting BISLEY: 1, London and Middleson are 2, Herilordshire A 247; 3, Herilordshire A 247; 3, Herilordshire B 460, 1, Hampshire 1,153; 4, Royal Navy 1,714.

Golf

MOSCOW: Men: 500m: 1, Y. Kull-v. 36.71sec (world best). Women: Vim: 1. K. Retenburger (EC) 40.18 vorld best). 1.000m: 1. N. Petru-ta, 120.81 (world best), 5.000m: G. Schorbrum (EG), 421.70

LOVOLO: Ilalian grand prix 125 cc ordi motorcross chamblorship: 1, G ordinard (San Marino) Rim, Jomin 6, 25cc; 2, M Rinaldi (Ilaly) Gilara, 6, 25cc; 2, M. Rinaldi (Ilaly) Gilara, 6, 25.5; 3, A. Watanabe (Japan)

MADRID: Women's European Cham-plonehips: 61kg Class, Hughes (GH:, 60kg, Mil Reinhum, 72kg, Triadou 1Prancel, Over 72kg, de Callalyi, 12kg J. Frienk, W. S. Briggs (GR:, 52kg, L. Hrysel | Adstract Doyle (GB:, 56kg, Winkbayer (Aus-ufa), Open, Classen (WD).

Tennis

5.10: 1. Bideforé (2-1 fav.: 2. Fiy-ing Gamble (20-1), 3. Herry Hotspur (14-1), 8 ran. 5.40: 1. Captain John (5-2); 2. Laurence Ambler (6-1); 5. Another Duke (2-1 fav.: 8 ran. 5.10: 1. Saper Symphony (4-1 fav); 2. Letterbox (8-1); 3. Pharnah's Own (10-1). 24 ran.

Folkestone programme

1.45 HEADCORN STAKES (2-y-0: £869: 5f)

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3.0 LADYKIRK STAKES (3-y-o: £1,171: 6f) 9 2003- Star Heading, W. H. Williams, 8-7 Raymond 7 7 10 0000- The Huyton Girls, M. James, 8-7 Gannarion 5 2 7-4 Java Tiger. 9-4 Record Surprise. 3-1 Start Heading. 10-1 Mass Chessy, 13-1 Blue Empress. 10-1 others.

3.30 SEATIBLE DIAMPINAT (LC.J/V. 01)

1 0000- Gree Seng (GD), W. H. Williams. 5.10-11

3-2222- Murline (D,B), J. W. Watts, 5.9-3. Hide of the continual Boy (D), N. Callsonan, 5.5-1

5 0000- Nice Value (O), R. Hollinshead, 7-2-13

6 2004- Meybrook (CD), G. Richards. 5-8-6 Wood 10

7 04003- Karen's Star, S. Nesbitt, 4-9-2. Nesbitt 5-5

8 1240- O. L. Oyston (D), J. Berry 5-8-3. Nesbitt 5-5

9 2000- Regency Elite, Donys Smith, 6-9-2 Kerlicher 5-10

10 1100- Flock Connection, Mrs A. Cousins, 4-7-11

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.30 Supper Bee Jay. 3.0 Record Surprise. 3 Nocturnal Boy. By Our Racing Staff 2.30 Do It Now. 3.0 carlet Town. 3.30 Minit 4.0 Consent. 4.30 Patchila. 5.0 Way of the Wolds. By Michael Seel; 3.0 Scarlet Town. 350 Nice Value. 4.30 Commun. Nymph.

The London marathon

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Suitable end to a fast and friendly race

y John Witherow The streets of London resoun-ed yesterday to the cheers of undreds of thousands of speciters and the souelch iters and the souelch of aterlogged pliessolls as the 700 modey runners pounded trough steady drizzle in the rst London marathon.

The spirit of camaraderie hich pervaded the event en-uraged the first two runners, r Inge Simonsen, aged 25, om Norway, and Mr Dick sardsley, aged 24, an Amerim, to cross the line hand in and after 2hr 11.48 min, About seven hours after the art another couple, Mrs Marie ominique de Groot, aged 30, om Paris, and Mr David siman, aged 47, from East instead, also finished bolding inds and claiming the dubious sunction of coming last.

Others sprinted, hobbled, lim-d, stumbled and, in the case one man affected by cramp st before the finish, hopped coss the line. Their faces flected the agony of the dis-nce. Some displayed elation. me wore fixed grimaces, some utched at their chests as they aggered towards the line. hile the fitter ones looked as

they had been for a jog nund St James's Park. Throughout the afternoon the cst End was littered with impetitors, their joints creakg as they bailed taxis in puro exhausted to walk and were irried from the scene of their

rigade said there were no rigade said there were no rigade said there were no rigade suffered from exhaustion. The runners were quickly wraped in gold and silver foil blands of the research of the said of the runners were said.

ets and given hot drinks.
"What most of them needed
"as tender, loving care", Mr
hristopher Brasher, former
lympic steeplechaser and the rganizer of the race, said.

About 22,000 people wanted run but the figure was kept 7,590, of whom 890 failed to gister on the day. An estiated 900 "pirate" runners peared to have participated. ... Mr Dennis Moore, a blind oner from Teddington, finhed the course attached to other competitor by a piece rope. Several septuagenarians uised past the finish in accep-ble times while Mr Roger surbon, aged 32, a Los Angeles staurant owner, took the title the fastest waiter in the orld by finishing in just over e bottle of mineral water had so carefully balanced on way for 26 miles and 385

The fastest woman was Mrs Joyce Smith, aged 43, the mother of two daughters. She completed the course in 2 hr 29.56 min, making her the third fastest woman marathon cunner in the world.

ner in the world.

"I feel great" she said afterwards. "The crowd just chanted. Joyce, Joyce, Joyce!"
Although several top international runners did not take part the overall standard was remarkably high. Mr Brasher said more than 50 people in the first 80 did personal best times and 142 finished in under two and a half hours. That compared with 119 in the same time out of the 12,500 who took part in the New York marathon last year.

"This is a remarkable tribute

This is a remarkable tribute to the tradition of long-dis-tance running in this country". Mr Brasher said. An American who has run in marathons throughout the world estimated that more than a million people lined the route

The course, starting at Greenwich Park and running along-side the Thames and through the City of London, contained far more turns than the New York route and was 30 yards longer than the official marathen distance

It was studded at regular intervals with 1,000 volunteer helpers, 500 special constables, 26 first aid stations and 300 St John Ambulance personnel. There was even a cardiac unit on Constitution Hill.

One of the oldest competi-

tors, 70-year-old Len Rolls,

from Ashford, Kent, after

completing the marathon.

give up several times, but some-one had kicked him the last eight miles. He finished in just over four hours. Among other celebrities competing, the honour of wearing the number 1 on his vest was given to Fred Lebow, the organizer of the New York Marathon, who ran 18 miles, 10 of them with a knee brace Fastest time: The winning time was the fastest for a marathon run in England (Paul Harrison Dick Beardsley, from Minne-

organization. With a budger of

1100,000, the organizers supplied 2,000 foil blankers, 75 portable lavatories, marquees, 400 gollons of coffee and 50,000 plastic cups. Nervous starters had the benefit of a 100-foot long urinal in Greenwich But

long urinal in Greenwich Park.

The drizzle through much of the day was considered perfect weather for long-distance running: "It was great, It kept me cool and I did not over-

heat", one runner commented. Others found the rain daunting and one man said his socks got

so waterlogged he could hardly

The race certainly attracted an odd assortment of clothing and an even odder selection of

headgear. One man turned in a fine performance dressed as

a convict, another wore a dress shirt and bow-tie, and another

Mr Jimmy Savile, wearing a gold lame tracksuit, squashed rumours that his Rolls-Royce

followed him round the course.

"It would have been OK if someone had not moved Buckingham Palace", he said.

Mr Nigel Demoster, the Daily Mail columnist, who was rais-ing money for a guide dog for the blind, said he wanted to

through sponsorship

Mr Savile raised £50,000

a plastic bag.

sota, and Inge Simonsen, a physical therapist from Oslo, broke away from a British pack at about the 16-mile mark and were never caught.

There were 15 Britons in the first 20 finishers and the most promising domestic performance came from Michael Kearns, aged 27, whose 2hrs 13min 37sec is fourth place was more than 20 minutes inside his personal best. One hundred and forty-two cuprers were forty-two cunners were under 2:30.

An estimated 80 per cent of the runners finished, a high survival rate considering the number of first-timers. Trevor Wright, aged 34, from the Wolverhampton and Bilston club, was the first Briton home, coming in third,



Many runners about me did stop, even though it was The joint winners, Dick Beardsley (left) and Inge Simonsen crossing two miles to the palace now", but the crowd would have none of it, fairly blowing them through the wall of pain and back into the action.

the finishing line together, clasping hands. Event up to New York standards

Adthough boycotted by most top marathon runners, short on prizes and appearance money and held too early in the year, the first London marathon com-pares very favourably with that of New York (Michael Coleman

Allowance has to be made, lowever, for the fact that New York had double the number of starters (that in London was restricted by the police). It is significant that Mr Fred Lebow, director of the New York marathon, expressed surprise at the boycott of the London race which he estimated would be worth £50,000 to the winner, not in prizes but in appearance money abroad.

The first 100 past the post at Buckingham Palace were:

Buckingham Palace were:
John first (2hr 11min 48sec): D
Beardsley, sged 24, USA; I Simonsen,
25; 3, 2:12:53, T Wright, 34; 4, 2:13:37,
M W Kearns, 27; 5, 2:13:59, G G Ling,
24; 6, 2:14:01, G B Cole, 31; 7, 2:14:54,
J Dingwall, 31; 8, 2:15:31, R K Ponny,
31; 8, 2:15:35, P Eales, 27; 10, 2:16:36,
D K Fancloth, 32, 11, 2:16:41, R E
Cyllau, 23; 12, 2:17:14, B Narvig, 31,
Norway; 13, 2:17:27, R Maule, 27; 14,
2:17:36, R. R Lunnon, 30; 15, 2:18:22,
J Stanley, 21, Australa; 15, 2:19:43, T L
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Constitution Hill could pass by, etc. Wordsworth on Westminster Bridge must have been there before the age of mass marathons, I suppose, Michael Coleman. aged 50, a sub-editor for its majesty was the last thing I cared about yesterday. The sooner I showed a clean pair of heels to it the closer on 'The Times', was our man in the race yesterday morning. He would be the coveted target, for a first-timer, of three hours.

limped home to tell Big Ben and the bridge bethe tale of his came just visible as we limped, wearily, up and out of the Blackfriars underpass. Round the bend of the Thames, just a mile off, they said, though by first marathon. this time we knew what that meant. The runners waved bouse. The Embankment took an age. The blisters that began making

back. Children went girl-sporting. "Look, mum, there's another lady", a Cockney voice said politely. their presence felt at Shadwell (14 miles) were on fire, and if you believe that natty modern running shorts have dispensed with all the scratchy bits, take them out for a marathon run.

"Ronald Biggs" appeared among us, wearing full convict strip, arrows and all. "Blimey, Roanie boy, where ya bin?", they roared in delighted appreciation. "Keep going. The jail's just up the road." But for the deafening roars of encouragement from those incredible crowds jamming the pavements—can it possibly be more full-blooded than this at The Wedding?—the limbs would have called it a day. The waiter carrying the cham

pagne glass on a tray who sailed past just after we had crossed Tower Bridge (13 miles) was a Tower Bridge (13 miles) was a sporting feat I would never have believed, had I not seen it. From the excitement of the spectators it was clear that something phenomenal was happening behind and, sure enough, in full black waiter's garb he strode through our ranks and disappeared into the distance. distance.

Until that point, I had been keeping up with No FO11, a lass from Sheffield who had the disconcerting habit of chatring to two bearded blokes with GB rings round their vests. We went over the tip-up bridge at a fair old lick in something well under one hour 30 minutes for under one hour 30 minutes for the half distance, and I was in two minds whether to call it off or attempt what seemed waiter drove in the final nail and went off with Miss Sheffield.

At Greenwich Park we had filled the road, gutter to gutter, the grandest sight in the world if you dared look back. By the East End we were stretched like elastic in the rain, and the gaps grew and grew as those without sufficient milage in their legs faded to the rear, and those with road running in their veins went into overdrive. Some old chaps fairly flew Some old chaps fairly flew the last three miles, but even then were nor contented. "Absoto London", I heard one old gaffer complain. "Only a 2:45.
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whose backs we never saw.

Birdcage Walk is of immense length, probably the longest stretch of road in the world.

Girl No. 8 was slipping into the distance. Round the corner to the Overn Victoria Memorial.

to the Queen Victoria Memorial and time for a regal wave to

the people, highly appreciated.

The girl was faltering as we hit the run in up Constitution Hill. What should a sportsman

and gentleman do on such an occasion? The digital clock over the line decided it. Cour-

tesy be blowed, it was a sprint finish with the clock stopped

at 3:07:57.

That was less than an hour behind the winning time of 2:11:48 which had been an-

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Elsom Pack Roberts Partnership and its design includes a courtyard building with the accommodarion on lower ground, ground and five upper floors. The scheme will include parking for 300 cars.

The new development is adjacent to the nearly-completed 12,000 sq ft West Gate office scheme being carried out by

Taylor Woodrow, in association with AGB Research for its own

In May, work is due to start on a contract worth £3.5m for renovation of Finsbury House, in Blomfield Street, EC2, which the Corporation of the City of London has awarded to Costain Construction. The scheme retains the two main elevations to Blomfield Street and Finsbury Circus, which have a grade two listing for architectural or historic interest. When completed, the building will provide some 30,000 sq ft net of floor area, compared to the present 26,226

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£2.3m office building has just to be let in parts or as a whole.



Artist's impression of the renovated and extended Harefield Place, Uxbridge, Middlesex, which will provide 30,000 sq ft of offices.

been topped out and is due for - It is currently the only selfcompletion next spring. The scheme is being carried out by Trafalgar House Developments and constructed by Cementation Building, a member of the building division of the Trafalgar House Group. Architect for the scheme is Osborne V. Webb and Partners, and the topping out took place four weeks ahead of

The six-storey building is on a recently completed stretch of the city's distribution road, just off Newport Road in the middle of poration. the business centre and will pro-in Fitzalan Place, Cardiff, a vide 56,500 sq ft of office space the business centre and will pro-

contained building of similar size available in the centre of Cardiff. Letting agents are Debenham Tewson and Chinnocks, of Cardiff, and Walker Son and Packman, of Bristol.

In Uxbridge, Middlesex, Estates and General Investments has prelet its 30,000 sq ft office scheme at Harefield Place to Digital Equipment at a rent of 5240,000 a year, one year ahead of completion of the building programme. The development will be held by Estates & General in its portfolio and the completed property will have an investment value of about £4m. The rent will be subject to an open review after the tenants take occupation. The refurbishment is under the direction of Fewster and Partners, architects, with work being carried out by Corral Construction.

The scheme involves the restor-ation of Harefield Place, an 18th century mansion with a grade two listing, which provides about 18.000 sq ft, with a new extension adding another 12,000 sq ft. he property stands on high ground in 10 acres of grounds which contain an ornamental lake. For many years it was the home of Sir Roger Newdigate, the anti-

Tewson and Chinnocks. The tenants, who will use the building as their new United Kingdom headquarters were introduced by Courad Ritblat.

In Scotland, UK Provident is to undertake a large office development at 122-128 St Vincent Street, Glasgow, a site in the centre of the city next to the Bank of Scotland. A contract worth £2.5m has been placed with Henry Boot Construction. The existing building is to be demolished except for the existing front stone facade, which is to be retained and incorporated into the new structure.

Architect for the scheme is cott, Brownrigg and Turner, of Clasgow, and the design provides for an eight-storey building with a gross floor area of 56,500 sq ft, designed for single or multi-tenant use. Parking will be at ground and lower ground floor levels. Project manager for the scherie is Machurst and letting is through Hillier Parker May and Rowden, and Edward Erdmman and Co.

An interesting scheme is to be carried out in Horley town centre, where Arlington Securities has received planning permission from the Surrey

Letting was through Debenham County Council for an office and snop project. The design by the Covell Marthews John Wheatley Partnership will provide 57,000 sq ft of offices and 36,000 sq ft of shopping. It will incorporate an extension to the existing Wait.

rose supermarker. The site covers more than three acres and the scheme will comprise low rise retail and office units in a landscaped

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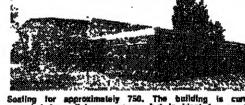
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> Her first act Giselle was very young, almost childish in her love, and so far betrayal and mad scene took on an extra poignancy as she realized that here finally was a situation from which no one could shelter her. In the second act she was as light and insubstantial as one could wish, but still with a touchingly human affection for her faithless lover.

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chard Williams re his career began in 1963 Marvin Gaye's Pride and and reached a climax with Temptations' Papa was a Lemptations' "Papa was a ling Stone" a decade later, record producer and com-Norman Whitfield has surprise on moulding a surprise casemble strong ensemble called Royce into the finest soft group of their era, using iptations' "Just My Imagion" to create dreamy drift-ballads like "Love Don't Here Any More ", " Wish-



ing on a Star" and "I Wonder Where You Are Tonight".

have, however, blurred the group's character, and their present British tour has witnessed the debut of Richee Benson, their third female lead singer in four years. At 21, Miss Benson is a precocious stylist, with some of the power and mobility of Chaka Khan and Randy Crawford; like them, too, she occasionally uses vibrato which harks back to Dinah Washington and Esther Phillips, and she showed it to good effect during Friday evening's concert on a new song called "Golden Touch". It is, nevertheless, unkind to expect her to duplicate the unique gossamer delivery of her imme-diate predecessor, Gwen Dickey, whose gift was the suggestion, on a ballad like Billie Calvin's exquisite "Angel in the Sky", that she was singing alone in a

aunt, Mary Bess Westenholz, in Danish, remained in the possession of Thomas Dinesen be most of the 17 years petween to be most of the significant of the chairman of the collection with a view to publication. The two volumes appeared in Danish in 1978. They form a unique document, not only of Karen Blixen's personal life throughout her years in January 1914 they began to row coffee on a farm near it lairned. In addition to proving a hopelessly incompetent is ranager Bror Blixen infected light and began a series of the Karen Blixen Society in Copenhagen, Frans Lasson, received permission to read the collection with a view to publication. The two volumes appeared in Danish in 1978. They form a unique document, not only of Karen Blixen's personal life throughout her years in Africa, invaluable as this is for biographers and other scholars, but also of the early years of modern Kenya, of its nature, flora and fauna, of the various African tribes—Karen Blixen had a far deeper understanding of the peoples of Kenya than the majority of the English settlers—and most of all of the development of the writer's mind through her discussions of literature are reliable. Figure 1918 she steep the culinary arts and very much тоге,

Some of the letters to Aunt red with her the things that e to be lasting intellectual spiritual assets; a love knowledge of literature Blixen the opportunity to nd spiritual assets; a love at such length gave Karen had music, the joys of flying maintain intellectual community and appreciation of Africa. nd music, the joys of flying, maintain intellectual communind appreciation of Africa. Cation with Denmark and
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Probably the most moving parts of this very unusual book are those in which Karen Blixen battles with her demons when writing to Thomas. She peels off layer after layer of veneer, morive, conception, predilection, desire, in her efforts to get to the roots of her personality and to discover the internal and ordered responses. inntinued to visit and support caren Blixen through the final gonizing process of selling the new bankrupt farm. Then, as he was organizing the packing, he was killed when piloting his plane over Kenya. This sagas that she knew and loved here and greatest blow follows. so well, one who never in her life ceased to be what she called a "yes-sayer". During her happiest rimes with Denye haracter. But in one of the by the Danish poet Sophus st letters she wrote to her rother Thomas from Africa, aren Elizen said: "... duratives difficult months."

1. These difficult months is nothing.

It was in reply to a sugges-tion from Aunt Bess that Karen Bhixen exclaimed in horror at the idea of pub-lishing her letters. But she never destroyed them. Fortunately for Danish readers, and now English. Her corre-spondence deserves to rank heside other great collections of letters, like those of Virginia Woolf, or her muchginia Woolf, or admired Byron.

Anne Born

Isak Dinesen's Letters from Africa translated by Anne Born, will be published by the University of Chicago Press in letters, written to April, 1981. (Karen Blixen is mother Ingeborg Dinesen, generally known by her pseu-brother Thomas, her sister donym Isak Dinesen in

Frequent personnel changes

twilit reverie. Despite a generally favourable response, the concert was far from satisfying. The ballads were slugged rather than stroked out, far ton much time was expended on tawdry audience participation routines, and Kenneth Copeland, who shares the singing with Miss Benson, really should learn a bittle microphone technique in order control his car-splitting falsetto.



Unsparing passion and dynamism

Macbeth Covent Garden

William Mann

The first suggestion that Friday night's performance of Verdi's Macbeth might be out of the ordinary came when Riccardo Muti took the rostrum and was applauded not only by the audience but by the orchestra too. Sure enough the Prelude was balanced and nuanced with uncommon artistry. The witches' second chorus, "Le sorelle vagabonde", went at a tremendous pace and the ladies of the chorus offered articulation and precision to match it, as the menfolk were later to do when preparing to murder

The grand final ensembles of the first two acts were guided by Muti with outstanding pas-sion and dynamism but also with the wealth of musical detail, scrupulously projected, that was to characterize the performance as a whole. Muti demanded the utmost from chorus and orchestra (from himself as well) and they responded all the way in top form. He and they reminded us that, although this is the tragedy of Macbeth and his Lady. Verdi and they reminded us that, fell off and he had to be given although this is the tragedy of a new one).

Macbeth and his Lady. Verdi placed their drama against a helpfully employed to cover background of crowds, whether sene changes at the back, so witches coldiers courtiers are alwayed payers are alimin.

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La traviata

Radio 3.

Metropolitan Opera,

The new production of Verdi's La traviata at the Met replaces

the one which was first presen-ted in 1966 on the second night

in the new opera house. The period has been moved forward, for no apparent reason, to finde siècle Paris, and encased in

Tanya Moiseiwitsch's monumen-

tal cut-on-the bias sets (the country bouse looking like something abandoned by Napoleon III and Flora's house—indeed palace—like a setting

for one of Gustave Moreau's

more effolgent paintings).
Cohin Graham's production is
traditional and, apart from a
few touches, such as having

Pere Germont come to Flora's

party in his street clothes, un-

imaginative. The chorus shut-

tled about to get to their next blocking positions, and never

The distant coolness that the

spaces of the sets implied in-fected the entire evening, for the predominant impression of

this Traviata was of a produc-

tion which will wear well, in the Met repertory sense, over

a number of years, but which lacks a unity of purpose and, even more, any immediacy of feeling central, after all, to this

specific opera. Traviata is about passion and inexplicable loss,

about sacrifice and final under

standing, and these qualities

must be uppermost in any ren-

dering of the opera. Here we were given a conscientious

Theatre Royal. Bristol

The last thing you would sup-pose from this booming Bristol

production is that it is the first

performed work of a new author. In the good and the

bad sense, Brian Jefferies

writes like an old hand with

a confident idea of his audi-

ence, confidently workmanlike

plot-construction and confident

use of stereotypes worn smooth

by time. His winning entry in

the Harris Trust Playwriting

Competition might have been lying in J. B. Priestley's bottom

drawer for the past 40 years.

Beside The Sea concerns a

holiday encounter between two

families during a day on the

beach from their early morning

arrival to claim the best place

to their teatime farewells. One

family is common and comes in

a caravan; the other is genteel

Beside the Sea

Irving Wardle

existed as human beings.

New York/BBC 2/

Patrick J. Smith

demise early in the second of five acts—but he made sure that his Macbeth would be a splendid choral opers.

Elijah Moshinsky makes the point too in his new production. John Napier's permanent set has steps ascending upstage almost out of sight in a triangular shape reminiscent of an Incatemple. Witches the production of the production temple. Witches and armies swarm upon them, and in the big choral scenes they are thronged with people, the topmost steps bidden behind palace walls for invarious terms. walls for interior scenes. The principal soloists act out their drama downstage, on a circular Greek orchestra with a

V-shaped projection above the orchestra pit that brings monoorchestra pit that brings monologue and conspiratorial discussion right forward, almost into the audience. More than once I feared for the safety of Renata Scotto or Renato Bruson on this perilous overbang, particularly in this notoriously unlucky play. Rehearsals had already broken Macduff's wrist, and Neil Shicoff had a plaster cast to handicap his final dual with Macbeth, though his plucky, aggressive spearsmanship did not show it this spearhead even fell off and he had to be given a new one).

background of crowds, whether witches, soldiers, courtiers or exiles. He made scant provision for Shakespeare's other characters—only Banquo is given much to sing before his scene changes at the back, so that awkward pauses are eliminated; but chiefly with the aid of Nick Chelton's lighting his strong and euphonious bass-less keenly focused than usual, it thought, though the duet

main characters to act as much with their faces as their voices —both Scotto and Bruson bave marvellously expressive features.

features.

Bruson's Macbeth lives up to what he told John Higgins in last week's interview on this page, an unwilling, remorseful villain; appalled by the destiny willed for him by his wife, he clutches at the black stone stool over the prompter's box as if mustering physical bravado for the next malifaction, and by his last scene all the reserves have visibly drained away.

Scotto was singing Lady

Scotto was singing Lady Macbeth for the first time, and it was her return to Covent Garden after 10 years' absence, during which her voice has grown from lyric to dramatic soprano. On records she can sound soughly, a venial failing soprano. On records she can sound squally, a venial failing in this part, though few ugly or wobbly notes were to be heard on Friday and she capped an awesome Sleepwalking scene with a perfectly placed top D flat that brought back memories of her Butterfly and Traviata years ago. The evil in her Lady Macbeth is never gleeful, but agony, horror and remorse. Even her Brindisl at the banduet, a formal, unfestive event quet, a formal, unfestive event

"Due vaticini" in the first scene sounded as well as it looked in a thrilling stage tableau. By a stroke of happy fortune this Banquo was able to bring his own son, Marcus Lloyd, to play Fleance and show a nimble pair of heels to his would-be assassins.

Shicoff did Verdi a favour by singing "Ab la paterna mano" with ideal lyrical poise and without tearful exaggeration. Robert Tear made as much of Malcolm as Verdi allows him. more than usual, proving that comprimario parts gain by strong casting. Further to the above comments on Moshinsky's production, I will enter a complaint about the spineless staging of Birnam Wood's journey to Dunsinane, which should have been marvellous spectacle, given Napier's mountainous steps.

The "shew of kings"— Banquo's descendants—was fine in shining armour though Verdi would have preferred them also to march over Napier's moun-tain. To my relief Napier tain. To my relief Napier firmly abjures tartan costumes and the kit in his designs, which are properly sombre. The child apparitions are real children, heard as well as seen on tage. This production is a seen on tage. Jais production is not to be missed while it remains in pristine condition, even if you mourn the demise of the handsome old settings by Wakhevitch, which would now be almost 30 years old.

ation of Violetta, it missed the

poignancy and the innocence

Cornell MacNeil, as Germont brings a fully dramatic baritone to the part, which has its merits,

since it projects a vivid and weighted vocal portrait. But MacNeil's voice is today dry and constricted at both ends, and he

must rely on phrasing to make his musical points. All too often

James Levine sees Traviata as an adjunct to the larger-scaled Verdi operas, and not as an inward work. Thus, his

musical gestures are broad, mostly rushed, though at times over-leisurely, but always broad-stroked. I have never much liked Levine's way with middle Verdi, and this concerning fire

Verdi, and this conception fits

badly with the spirit of this

will counterbalance the spaces

Patrick J. Smith was at the first night of the Met's Traviata. Saturday's matinee

into the vocal writing.

Verdi so much wanted.

and a growing affection.

that this role contains.



Act III : Domingo and Cotrubas

musical run-through, with some far more circumscribed Ronrumbustious orchestral playing. dine, somehow lost in an alien but little that touched the world.

I doubt that Ileana Corrubas would be an ideal Violetta in any house, for her voice, though large and focused, lacks ampliof breath and above all the infinite shades of colour which are vital to this role, particularly in the focal scene with Germont. At the Met she pushed the voice throughout, giving it a hard and often fluttery sound, and thus could neither expand on a moment such as the end of the first act nor express a husbed, pathetic urgency for the reading of the letter in the last. Her singing slid by on rails, and in its reduced intimacy suggested not Verdi's doomed Lady of the Camellias but rather Puccini's

and puts up at the Metropole.

However, the children get on

like a house on fire; and their

elders also discover a shared

interest transcending the class

barrier. To complete the pic-

ture, there is the classless

figure of Arnold, a deckchair

attendant poet who switches his

attention between the two groups in his role as the resort's "professional charac-

With such a scheme every-

thing depends on the telling.

and so far as structure goes Mr

Jefferies has some strong-cards

to play. In the first place, he

understands the importance of

environment. Belinda Acker-mann's blank stretch of sand

becomes polarized as soon as the towels are down: two in-

violable territories with all the

sanctions of hospitality and ex-

area for diplomatic approaches. Inside this magnetic field the three groups are linked in an

clusion, separated by a neutral

Placido Domingo sang with his customary cleanness of attack and considerable presence as Alfredo; but he is today past the effect made when, years ago, he swept Patricia Brooks off her feet in the celebrated New York City Opera Frank Corsaro production (still the best seen hereabouts in recent memory). The voice is now dramatic rather than lyric, and the sonority of its ring which gives authority to the heavier roles, undercuts the youthful ardour of Alfredo. He was never for a moment lost in his passion for Violetta, and though the ease of declamation was welcome in the cabaletta to "De' miei bollenti spiriti" and in the subsequent public humili-

was transmitted by BBC 2 and Radio 3. The sound quality on Radio 3 was mediocre; but it was the BBC's first live relay from the Met. dwellers, who in turn despise the indigent Arnold, who-as an arrist chappie with a posh voice goes down well at the Metropole. Finally, this static relationship gets moving when the ailing working-class father offers a job to his redundant class superior. This involves a well-organized clash between common sense and inbred

British prejudice, leaving you to conclude that if we are to survive it will only be through plating a turn. acknowledging our dependence on each other. Alas, this timely message is all but erased by Mr Jefferies's chosen messengers. Apart from the generous selection of dis-count-house beach furniture which Anthony Cornish's production showers on them, there is nothing to connect them with the modern world. They are eternal Little Englanders, as deeply shocked by nude bathing

owning Dad heaving his seden tary bulk into boisterous beach games, and summoning straying children with a bugle. But when comes to the Metropole, whom should we find but a henpecked Surrey accountant (Peter Copley) with a Savoyard lady wife who refuses even to shake hands with the unsuitable new acquaintances ("not our type at all"), much less admit that her worm may be contem-

My sympathies go to lune Barrie in her gallant struggle to humanize a character who would have seemed a stuck-up snob even to the ladies in When We Are Married, Ian Mackenzie lends a romantic presence the unlikely Arnold and Barbara Young has one moment of superh indignation when the two wives finally come face to face. But the elaborate subterfuges of contemporary class as they would have been in the division are beyond the range elegant circle. The Metropole Boer War. You can just about family despise the caravan accept Bill Wallis's garageof these dolls from the bottom of the toy box,

Taboo Young Vic

Irving Wardle

It is not often that theatre-ineducation shows move on to public performance, and I looked forward to a visit to this Young Vic Education and Community Service production which arrived for three nights in the Cut after an Inner London schools tour. Besides the inherent interest of Nigel Townsend's adaptation of Rosemary and Victor Zong's William 1988. For wondering why the producting with the state of the production of the community of the state of the stat Young Vic Education and Comand Victor Zorza's A Way to Die, it is a good example of an extensive and unpublicized area of English theatrical work. The first priority in such

work is to dramatize facts and deas, as a prelude to questions, discussion, and the conventional reaching process. Where plays in the theatre offer a complete experience, a TIE performance is there to get things started. Acting becomes an advanced form of demonstration for a group of spectators who are shortly to be participants. The house lights stay up throughout Peter Kinsey's production, the company assume and discard characters like different bats, and make their exits and entrances from seats on the

This sounds a cold-blooded approach to the Zorzas' memoir of their daughter's death, a story of extreme emotional distress and physical pain.

The facts are there, but very ittle emotional evocation of what it feels like to change from a healthy girl aged 24 into a terminal cancer victim whose only desire is for an end

to the torment. The sensations of going through a cruel cycle of false hopes, of developing a vicious invalid temperament, of facing an implacable enemy who simply strikes in another place after every fresh surgical defence: these are all omitted

from the piece. As a result, you are some-times left wondering why the

theatrically bearable the events which you can just about endure on the page. And for the pur-poses of this show, emotional playing would immediately blot its main intentions of raising the issues of justifiable suicide and the uses of medicine for alleviating suffering rather than healing.

Emotionally, the show directs its main force against doctors as objects or as children who cannot be trusted with the truth. But this is an inescapable consequence of following the Zorzas' line of argument, and contrasting the cure-oriented mechanics of conventional median mechanics of conventional medi-cine with the terminal loving care of the hospice in which Jane happily died.

On those terms, Claire Vous-den, Ruth Lyster and the other members of the team handle the material with tact and truthfulness, occasionally allowing elemental human feelings to show through the spare dialogue and giving maximum weight to the parents' viewpoint, while also leaving it as an open ques-tion for the class, or society at large, to decide.

YMSO/Argiris St John's

Max Harrison

We tend to think of the Piano Sonata of 1945-46 as the piece in which Elliott Carter first spoke with an individual voice. As a consequence, his earlier music has been largely ignored, and the performance the Young Musicians' Symphony Orchestra gave of his Symphony No 1 on Saturday evening was its first public hearing in this country. Composed in 1942, it was revised in 1954, and although the initial Moderato nostalgico contains hints of the wide open prairies, or at least the clear, resonant textures of Auron Copland and Roy Harris, there also is a lot of Carter in this score.

There are suggestions of Stravinsky, too, if beard through Copland's ears rather than directly, but already an independent cast of mind is evident. We do not know what changes were made in the 1954 revision, but in the 1940s Carter's music was perhaps a development from, and out of, the sense of order found in Copland's work, though

symphony displays exact crafts-manship throughout, and shows that the foundations of its com-poser's later very individual mastery were laid early. Though one could have done with greater clarity at some

points, the performance was a good one. Spiros Argiris, a Greek who regularly conducts at the Cologne Opera, was in charge, and chas was in fact his British debut. Although I do not think he had the relationship between the basic tempos of the first two movements quite right, he kept the music moving forward to good effect. Not enough was made of some of the first movement's abrupt shifts of perspective, its sudden changes of texture or switches from loudness to softness. But the typically Carterian rhysimic fluidity of the finale came over well, as did the Andante serioso's feeling of steady linear

evolution. appropriately, sounded austere and rich at the same time, and the gradual changes of speed seemed natural. The closing Allegro vivace is often thin and wiry, and grows rather obviously celebratory at one already with a wider emotional stage, sithough even in the coda range implicit. Certainly the it is not quite conventional.

Jeremy Menuhin Queen Elizabeth Hall

Joan Chissell

Many young planists in the next few months will be paying their respects to Bartok. For Jeremy Menubin, however, there was special reason to begin his recital on Thursday with a centenary salute. The story of his father's association with the composer at a time of need is already part of musical

history. He chose the sonata dedicated by Bartok in 1926 to his youthful second wife (also a pianist), much of it as pungently dissonant and percussive

as the first piano concerto.

he gave the impression of an aruncular house baritone doing an evening's job rather than a human being torn between duty But because Jeremy Menuhia is more a sensitive, searching musician than flamboyant victuoso, it was the slow movement that made the strongest impression on Thursday through the intensity that he drew from its strange, static brooding. Wisely, not making too vicious an assault on the opening Allegro moderato, he had bite

have made more of its contrasts of dynamics and colour. In place of the advertised Beethoven sonata Mr Menubin substituted Bach's E minor

and drive in reserve for the

Partita, opus 6, as his main classical offering, and in his disciplined, purposeful part-playing he revealed perhaps his potential as technician and artist most clearly.

Only the Allemande and Courante sounded a little furtive in their flow. But the Air, Gavotte and Gigue were as bold and buoyantly rhythmical as the opening Toccata and Sarabande were intimately searching and beautiful.

It was the personal private nature of a group of late Intermezzi by Brahms that he chose to emphasize after the interval. His pedalling sometimes, blurred the outlines in Debussy's Estampes, particularly in "La Soirée dans Grenade" and "L'Isle larly in "La Soirée dans Grenade" and "L'Isle Joyeuse" but those, too, revealed how much there is to look forward to from this young

Folk Blues

Venue

Richard Williams .

opera, for whatever gains are made in pace and electricity are at the expense of the characterization which is built into the orchestra as much as The American Folk Blues Festivals have been touring Europe for two decades, but each year, Verdi's Traviata contains much more than is given in this as the old masters fade away grand opera" production. Perand are not replaced by new haps with another cast and con-ductor the merits of the opera blood the task of assembling an effective package must become harder. The 1981 edition justified itself by presenting a of the setting to achieve the intimacy and the humanity that couple of authentic giants and one pleasant surprise.

The acoustic country blues were represented by Bowling Green John Cephas, a guitarist and singer, and Harmonica Phil Wiggins, who played together in the gentle, agile Piedmont style. Sunnyland Slim, the 72-year-old Mississippian, showed a rawer side, combining his high lonesome voice and rolling piano style with Lurrie Bell's guitar, Rob Stronger's bass and Odie Pavne's drums.

The band stayed on to accompany Louisiana Red, an extrovert who played too much bottleneck guitar and sang too few of his fine topical songs. and Hubert Sumlin, remem-bered as the guitarist on Howling Wolf's best-known records. Sumlin is a consummate band guitarist, with a stingingly emphatic style of accompaniment, and drove the group into one boogie which would have moved mountains. The advent of Carey Bell's

harmonica was the signal for the music to turn towards solid urban rhythm and blues, featuring Lucrie, Carey's 22-year-old son, who played a young man's version of B. B. King's style and sang of B. B. King) syntaxion with a natural unforced delivery. His version of "I'm Ready" was a solid example of juke-joint dance music; it is a pity (although inevitable) that few other musicians of his age are interested in mastering

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from Friday's later editions

Giulini's return

The music director of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Carlo Maria Giulini, hopes to return ro the orchestra in time for his scheduled concerts at the Hollywood Bowl this summer. Mr Giulini has cancelled all his commitments this spring because of the serious illness of his wife. He will be replaced for the programmes at the Music Center this month by Simon Rattic, the LA Philharmonic's associate conductor Myung-Whun Chung, Herbert Blomstedt and Giuseppe Sinopoli. The last two conductors will be making their debuts with the LA Philharmonic,

The art of song

This year's Toursine Festival. which opens on June 21, will be devoted principally to the art of song. There will be six vocal recitels, the first on June 26, given in turn by Birgit Finnila, Christa Ludwig, Tom Krause, Barbara Hendricks, Cathy Berberian and Evgueni

Nesterenko. In addition Elisaberh Schwarzkopf is providing a series of master classes, three hours each, twice a day, which will be open to the pub-lic. Sviatoslav Richter, the inspiration behind the festival, will also be giving three piano

The cuts being imposed on universities are now so severe that between five and ten could virtually lose their graduate facilities in the sciences. engineering and medicine. Diana Geddes reports on the crisis in higher education

About 12,000 fewer British school leaver will get places at universities over the next three years as a result of Government cuts in university finance; and some existing students may well have to change university in mid-course as departments in their own universities are forced to close.

The University Grants Committee has estimated that the universities will lose more than a tenth of their income in the same period. That would mean a reduction in academic staff of about 15 per cent and a cut of about 15 per cent and a cut in the total number of home sundents of at least 5 per cent, if standards are not to deteriorate too much. The cuts in staff and students will be bigger if, as many predict, the income loss is greater.

The Government has not produced figures for student numbers up to 1983/84. numbers up to 1983/84, although it has admitted that the planned cuts in both the university and the public sectors are "likely to lead to some reduction in the number of students admitted to higher education with increased competition for places"

In allocating a £1,000m grant to universities for the next academic year, it has assumed that the total number of Eritish and EEC undergraduates for those who count as home students for the pur-

their present level of 235,000. Because the intake of home undergraduates has been increasing by about 3 per cent a year, in line with the increase in size of the 18-year-old age group, universities will have to cut their intake this year by 6 per cent, or by nearly 5,000 students, to achieve that

The: Government therefore appears to have abandoned once and for all the Robbins principle that all those suitably qualified by ability and attain-ment should have the right to higher education, a principle which has formed the sole basis of successive governments'
policy" on higher education

for the past 20 years.

The effects of Government cuts on higher education and students will be one of the central issues at the National. Union of Students conference opens in Blackpool

How far are the current uphea-vals in the Islamic world likely

to affect the 40 million Mus-lims inside the Soviet Union?

The question has been exercis-

ing the minds of Western analysts since the revolution in

Iran and the invasion of Afg-

on leave from The Times.



Bankruptcy and closures: the grim future that is facing our universities

over the past 20 years expansion pose, and whether what we were has been particularly rapid, already doing was desirable. Student numbers in universities— The Labour discussion documore than doubled in the ment presented five options of decade following the Robbins ways to cope with the implicareport in 1963, and the proportions of a continued growth in tion of 18-year-olds going into the 18-year-old age group until

higher education (universities, polytechnics and other maintained colleges) jumped from seven per cent to 14 per cent. That compared with the 2 to 3 per cent who went to university 30 years ago. The Conservative government's White Paper Francuork for expansion in 1972 called for further expansion with a target

of 22 per cent of the age group in higher education by 1981. In fact, the proportion this year is little more than half that, 12 per cent—significantly lower than the proportion in most other developed countries, although that is the result of British 18-year-olds' decisions not to continue in further education, rather than Govern-

ment policy.

By 1974, the recession had set in, and the universities found themselves subjected to the uncertainties of funding on an annual basis instead of for the five-year periods they were used to. In the years that followed, student numbers were allowed to rise more rapidly than staff with the result that staff-student ratios (excluding medicine) fell from about 1:8 to 1:10, or about the same ratio as in school sixth forms, and the cost per student fell by more than a tenth. But total spending on universities continued to

some form of policy for higher education in its discussion document Higher Education into quantitative factors of demo-graphy and cost rather than on

Universities have been grow- form of higher education we ing throughout this century, and wanted, for whom, for what pur-

tions of a continued growth in the 18-year-old age group until 1983, followed by a drop of about one third by the mid-1990s. Predictably, everyone in higher education plumped for the option which allowed for continued expansion, with the expected fall in the number of truditional students being of truditional students being offset by an increase in the number of women, working-class, and mature students.

But when the Conservatives were returned to power in 1979, the economic recession deepened, and the universities received their first shock : the Covernment announced that it was to stop "subsidizing" universities in respect of over-seas students. By 1982-83, some £125 million or 11 per cent would be deducted from their grant. They could, however, they were told, attempt to make 200d that loss by charging so-called "full-cost" fees, or the average cost per student, which this year amounts to around £4.500.

Unreality rather than panic

The Government promised no reduction in the universities' grant for British and EEC students until 1983-84. That was the position until lust December when the Government suddenly In 1978, the Labour govern- announced a cut of more than ment attempted to grapple with 3 per cent in their grant for the next academic year; that was followed by the news-White Paper, the arguments were almost entirely based on quantitative factors of next three years; and that was qualitative questions of what in addition to the cuts in

The reversal of the univer-sities' fortunes has been swift

Individual universities will not know to what extent they will be affected until the University Granus Committee makes its distribution in May makes its distribution in May of the block grant from Government. The committee is an independent body, coasisting mostly of distinguished academics but with some butsiders, which is intended to act as a kind of "buffer" between the universities and the Government, giving advice to both sides but traditionally leaving universities free to conduct their own affairs.

Dr Edward Parkes, its chairman, has promised a "major reshaping" of the university system. That had been planned well before the latest round of cuts, and was designed, as Dr Parkes said in his address to the Committee of Vice-Chancel-lors and Principals last October, make universities "concentrate on their strengths, and not support pallid growths which are now never likely to reach maturity".

A greater degree of direct intervention from the committee was now necessary. Dr Parkes said. The laissez-faire philosophy of the past was no longer possible during a period of retrenchment.

Or Parkes spoke at that time of the necessity for more shared and for the concentration of research facilities. Now, in the light of the latest cuts, he is talking of the closure of departments and even colleges.

spread the cuts "very non-uniformly". Dr Parkes said The nearest thing we have earlier this month. That will be to a policy is the four object-reflected in the May distribu-ives listed by the Robbins Com-

to cover the three-year period up to 1983-84, and which will come with much more specific and dramatic, but has so far come with much more specific created a feeling more of "guidance", than university unreality than of panic. Many academics talk of a "crisis", but do not really believe yet that it will happen to them. "guidance": than universities have ever known before; and guidance backed up by the big cuts now contemplated become

Some universities may only lose two or three per cent of grant over the next three years, but others are likely to suffer cuts of 20 per cent or more, in addition to any loss of income due to overseas students. That means some universities could lose up to a third of their income by 1983.

Between five and ten univer-

sities could virtually lose their graduate facilities, particularly in the sciences. Others may in the sciences. Others may lose entire engineering or modical faculties, or departments within faculties. Some may escape with slimmer versions of what they have already got. The cuts now being imposed on the system are so big that tinkering is no longer possible.

Unless the Government provides the redundancy money needed to bring about these estimate is that some £100 - £200m will be required over the next three years, which would wipe 'out most of the Government's intended 'savings of some £300m in respect of both herb. both home and overseas students-some universities will have no alternative but to go It is now that the absence

of any real policy for higher education is most glaring. The lack of a policy did not matter during the years of expansion, and indeed was probably a. blessing, giving individual in-stitutions the freedom to experiment and develop. But now some guidance on what should The committee intends to be discarded might have been

mittee as being essential for a properly halanced system of higher education. They are: instruction in skills; promotion of the general powers of the mind; the advancement of mind; the savantement of learning; and the transmission of a common culture. In the present clamour for greater "relevance" and responsiveness to national manpower needs, it would be welf not to forget the last three.

The 45 universities in Britain The 45 universities in Strain are not a homogeneous group. They are independent bodies which vary greatly in character. uge (some more rhan 800 years old, others less than 20), size (one with 3,000 students, another with nearly 50,000), and income forms are required for them. income (some receive less than while one, London, receives around £200m).

Little room for manoeuvre.

Yet the public tend to view them as a whole, and at present the image is not a kind one. To many, the universities appear elitist, arrogant and complacent institutions, engaged in "non-productive" work and for the line complex. work, and for too long comfortably cushioned from the harsh realities by taxpayers' money— (more than 90 per cent of their income comes from public funds)—yer rejuctant to be made accountable.

In the past the universities have cried out when they were pricked; now that the wounds are deep, they should not be surprised that few are rushing to their aid. Some observers, in-. cluding some inside the universities, believe that there will have to be one or two real corpses before public sympathy is proused.

The universities argue, and with some justification; that it is foolish to cut them when there are many less respected

institutions in the public sector taking in the students they reject, which could be closed. The total planned for spending on higher education in 1982-8.1 and 1983-84 has not yet been divided between the univer sity and the public sectors, so in theory the universities could be given a bigger share than is strictly their due.

But, in practice, there is little room for manoguves. Uni-versities get two-thirds of the total for higher education, an every 1 per cent cut for them means an extra 2 per cent cut for the public sector, and the public sector is already having to accept cuts as large and unmanageable as those in the universities. Polytech-nics and colleges, like universi-ties, will have to shed one in six of their staff over the next three years in order to meet

However, there are two big differences. Unlike most uni-versity teachers, the academic versity teachers, the academic staff in the public sector do not have tenure, so the cost of their redundancy payments is likely to be much smuller; and, if a maintained college runs into serious difficulties, the local authority could sup-nlement its income from the plement its income from the rates, while a university would have to raise its own additional

Some universities aircady raise a significant proportion of their income from private sources through such things as inventions, research grants, holiday lettings, consult-ancy fees, and endowed chairs. In the United States, there is large-scale funding by industry private universities ; British universities feel there is a limit to which they should, or could, go down the road of turning themselves into business enterprises.

The uneven cuts now planned by the UGC will inevitably lead to which they are best suit to a much greater differentiation and in which they could be to a much greater differentia- and in which they could be tion in the status and prestige most benefit to the country.

hops devoid of all gradu racilities, what will be the juitation for retaining the incr ingly artificial distinct heliween institutions in

Oxford (left) and Warwick, J the next three years 12,000 fewer British school leavers v get places if cuts go through.

public and private sectors? Education ministers, sen ufficials at the Department Education and Science, and UGC, would privately like see a single system of high education with perhaps, a p micr league of institutions, p sibly including some polyter nics, providing a full range undergraduate, postgraduate a research facilities; a seco league with a more restric range; and a third, including perhaps some universities we perhaps some universities, we undergraduate provision only. The realization of that vis-

a long way off, however. a first step, it is dependent the establishment of un in pendent national body to pand fund higher education the public sector, and that ! already run into difficulties It is impossible to prec

what the university system a look like in, say, five ye time. The present crisis co prove salutary, leading to beneficial rethinking of pr ities and an overdue prun of dead wood; or it could res in the chaos the rice-chancell have predicted. Much deper on whether the Government willing to put in the necessa funds to run down the syste in an orderly fashion.

Either way, however, it w be a painful process for the involved : colleague will be .: against colleague in the co-petition for scarce resource promotion prospects will blocked; some first-rate a demics will find themselv. thrown out with the rate : and a number of brillie young graduates will be unal to enter the scholarly care

Why the Islamic revival worries Moscow birth rate among Soviet Mus-lims is two and a half times assurance. The Central Asians to shift away from European Islam is centred on the tradi-higher than in the rest of the simple reason that time The Soviet authorities have Muslim guilds of Central Asia.

Some argue that since the vast majority of Soviet Mus-lines observe Islamic rituals in hanistan, and was the subject fundamental matters of birth, of a conference held by the Carnegie Endowment for Peace in New York last weekend marriage and death, Muslim identity has taken the place of the worn out ideology of Mar-xism. Others suggest that Tad-jiks, Uzbeks, Kazakhs and the in New York last weekend under the chairmanskip of Edward Mortimer, at present rest are aware of their ethnic identity first and their Islamic Western experts differ over heritage second.

whether the people of Urbekistan, Azerbaijan, Tadzbikistan, Kazakhstan, Kirghiziya and What is beyond dispute is that the Russians themselves are aware that semething is Turkmenia are really infected stirring down in the south, and with Islamic revivalism or with the true moving force are greatly upprehensive that the southern republics is about the consequences, nationalism rather than according to Murry Feshbach of the US Census Bureau, the

sians are likely to find themselves outnumbered by the end of the century.

At icast one third of the Soviet armed forces will by then be of Muslim origin. The invasion of Arghanistan has left Soviet Muslim soldiers with an abiding memory of Russiars in action against their Muslim Afghani brothers.

Afghanistan has also shown that even the Red Army is not taxing ble, and in the long term that could do wonders for

is on their side. One problem giving Soviet planners more than a few sleepless nights is that while the labour force in Russia proper is declining, that of the southern republics is in-

Eventually Moscow will presumably have to persuade, cajole or force Muslim workers move north to established industrial centres. If they do not, the mountain will have to come to Mohammed, and Soviet industry will move

of Islamic customs in the southern republics and have established a working relationship with the spiritual leaders of what might be called official Islam. Moscow has even allowed official Islamic figures to travel in the Middle East, sign of the extent of official spiritual leaders. promoting the image of Russia alarm by the growing strength as a true friend of the Muslim of the brotherhoods. There is

On the other hand, a powerful "unofficial" or parallel Islam has grown up, and the ful southward, in that case the authorities are finding it diffi- republics of the Islamic funda-

Russia altogether.

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So far tolerated the persistence

Tonal village councils and Muslim guides of Central Asia, as well as on underground Isla-

mic brotherhoods, including those which adhere to the Suff talk of the need for vigilance against "foreign agents", against "foreign agents", widely construed as a reference to the impact on the southern

mentalism preached across the border in Iran.

The Soviet media have also hegun to deal openly with the previously tabon subject of rebellion by Basfachi tribesman against Soviet rule in the 1920s and 1930s. As Dr Chantal Lemercier-Quelquejay told the conference, the message from Moscow is clear : We have crushed Muslim resistance in the past, and we will do so again, whether in Afghanistan or inside the Soviet Union itself.

There is no immediate propect of a new Basmateni rehellion. For one thing the Russlans have been careful to 3 prove living standards in t. Central Asian republics.

On the other hand, revol tionary movements-where religious, nationalist or both can just as easily take shapes a society of rising expectation as in a society where expe tations are low,

The Russians face a furth Islamic challenge from a sen what unexpected quarter China. The Chinese have a so stantial Muslim populatie and recently Poking has been quietly but effectively prome ing its own image as a fried

Richard Owe

I know, Judy, let's put on a show of our own

Sometimes I am to be seen, huddled furtively behind the collar of my grubby rainwear, in some of the least salubrious parts of New York, It could be Soho, that area of warehouses between Greenwich Village and Wall Street; or Hell's Kitchen. the desolate tract between Times Square and the Hudson River; or almost anywhere. A little nervously, I tread the

uneven pavaments, searching for clusive numbers on grimy, illkept doors. Finding the right one. I rattle the handle, open it and duck horriedly in, normally to be faced with peeling paint, loose tiporhoards and a smell

What nefarious purpose, you may wonder, am I about ? I am going to the theatre-not the Broadway of mindless contedies or mildly solucious musicals, but the outer reaches of Off-Off-Proadway where, in partial secrecy, the works of such authors as Beinard Shaw, Lope ne Vega, Ben Jonson, Agarha Christie and Tom Stoppard are played in forms which sometimes their authors would scarcely recognize.

Having found someone to sell me a ticket (and I shall often meet him or her later as head murderer or detective), I move into the theatre. Often it is hard to distinguish the stage from the seating. Once I found myself entering a British suburhan drawing room of the 1930s through the french windows and together to produce unpreten-

had to push past potted plants and casually strewn copies of The Times before reaching my seat, within answering distance of the prewar telephone on which the murder plot was to

Although the venues give the impression that the shows are produced on a casual basis, Off-Off Broadway, like all New York theatre, is in fact highly structured. It operates under the rules relating to seat prices, length of runs and payments to actors. It has its own organization, the Off-Off-Broadway Alli-ance, to which 88 theatres belong, though Nancy Heller, its executive director, estimates that there are about 200 makeshift theatres in New York in which Off-Off-

Broadway shows may be staged. The alliance was formed in 1972 to cater to the sub-group of theatres that had begun so emerge in the 1960s, one level of professionalism lower than Off-Broadway, the long-standing casual end of the professional New York theatre.

Off-Broadway was created to allow room for experimental theatre which high production costs and comparably high ticket prices ruled out on Broadway itself, When even Off-Broadway began to get stitutionalized, to develop ambitions above (as some saw it) its station, enthusiasts banded munity halls.

The c'nof distinction between Off-Broadway and Off-Off-Broadway is that the Off-Off actors are either unpaid or paid a mode t expense allow-ance agreed with the actor's

it is a peculiar phenomenon. unique to New York-ironipects conforms slavishly to the mone cliac. Actor and directoes a to cannot find held work are keen to practise their craft for no reward except the remore prospect that they will be discovered and become famous. bit plaintitely, they will orten pat their telephone numhers next to their names on the cast list.

Ever since Mickey Rooney and Judy Gerland made those mories about doing a show. everyone's always wanted to be Ms Heller.

But how about audiences? How are they-how are wepersuaded to put down our money, albeit modest sums of five or six dollars, to see shows which could well be of indif-ferent quality? Ms Heiler attributes it to a spirit of adven-

"They have to be people villing to put up with the possibility of a disastrous evening on the chance that they might be seeing a masterpiece when it's brand new," she said.



On the whole, my own Off-Off forage have avoided complete disaster, if narrowly, I have a weakness for Show and follow bin to the most unlikely cellars and warehouses, where producers of ambition have decided to regale us with some of his rarely performed one-acters.

The most recent production gave a good ;dea of why they are rarely performed. It was a wer and cold Sunday afternoon in the East Village The theatre was a long, thin room, more a corridor, with the audience of 15 bunched uncomfortably at one end. Most were friends of the actors.

The first two plays were from Shaw's Russian canon—played, for no good reason, in thick Rusits manifestations, quite often. sian accents which made them barely comprehensible. Just as the evening, was beginning to cast a pall, the company come un with a marvellously sorightly performance of The Dark Ludy of the Sonnets to warm us up for the journey home. It is that kind of unexpected reward that makes it worth it, if on this occusion only just. The Soho Rep. housed in a

former fabric warehouse on the edge of Chinatown, is a fairly typical, middle-of-the-road Off-Off Broadway operation. It illustrates both the rewards and the difficulties of running such a Jerry Engelbach, one of two

artistic directors, sat in the front row of the stalls the other afternoon and explained that, when he and his friend Marlene Swartz formed the company six years ago, their objective was to give an airing to "rarely performed great plays? This spring, for instance, they

called The Idol Makers and a musical by the British writer Anthony Bowles. They attract, says Engelbach. audiences whose average age is

in the upper 40s and who go to

the New York theatre, in all

are presenting four: The Doctor and the Douls by Dylan Thomas, Harold Pinter's Old Times, a new American play

If the theatre does close, it will be one less outlet for the thousands of heoeful actors who live penuriously in New York in the hope of getting to tread even such unglamorous boards "If we held auditions every

about their future.

prospect of that,

-the least they can offer under

union regulations-puts a strain

month in rent, expires this year

50 people every day without let-up", said Engelbach. "With the incredible boom in the entertainment industry in the sixties and seventies, more people feit they could make u. "Now there's a tigg going to be a house in Beverly

economy, and they still think they can make it. One of the problems is the problemation of acting schools. The fact that When Engelbach and Marlene they hoped that one day they training is available makes people think work is available." At the other end of town, on Eighth Avenue just west of the could make the leap from Off-Off-Broadway to Off-Broadway, being able to charge higher ticket prices and pay their actors more generously. In the main Broadway theatre district. Phyllis Craiz runs an Off-Off-Broadway theatre of a very present climate, with a proli-feration of small theatres different kind. She makes no claim to be doing great plays. chasing a dwindling amount of financial support, there is no simply middlebrow English thrillers, Agatha Christie and Even paving the actors \$100 the like, which can gorrantee for the five-week run of a share

are performed. on the budget and the theatre is Ms Craig worked in London making a loss. They charge 55 before coming to New York and a seat, and at an average performance fill 70 of the 100 seats. The lease of their wareopening this theatre in 197; She maintains it as a British reportory with more than a house, which costs \$750 a tsuch of chauvinism-Union Jacks, buildings and advertises and there is a real question

to fill a house wherever and

(within reason) however they

She does nearly everything versive messages it any could have interpreted them could have interpreted them. herself, including acting, directing, bet design, sweeping up and even writing some of the plays. Her Bargain for Minder has been in the repertory for two years and another in a day of the year we could see similar vein has just opened. She pays her acrors nothing English but still has them queuing to get war! "They all come here trying to make it", she said. "Tyer one thinks when they

coff themselves an actor it's

Hills and a swimming pool. Across the room. Kerrian who has been with Ms Craig tompany for 10 weeks, smile, She takes cosual work as dancer to make ends meet. W Craig has the novel sideline (teaching the elements of draff. to courtroom lawyers, so the can better sway juries. Another of her actors. Mil Coleman from New York, is

plumber during the day. Trad lionally, many of the uner waiters, which suggests there a connexion between the pri-liferation of theatre in Na-York and the equally excession number of restaurants. Underground theatre

Europe is generally avant-gare-

or political. I remember as coung man sitting with a had ful of other daredevils if the ments for Watney's beer adorn Unity Theatre near kins the lobby above the basement Cross seeing dim left-wing play the lobby above the basement Cross seeing dim left-wing play which probably had deeply Off-Off-Broadway is very dil Off-Off-Broadwar's very or ferent from the People at prepared to unusual discomforts the doubted pleasure of hearing the inspector with the plumbte English tent reveal to the ference that the plumbte tent of the plumbte tent o rawing-room that f hushed nephot, who done it. Not great

art; Just chow business. Michiel Leapman

link between the land and the larder

'Preservers of the harvest' — food processors are a vital

Gur diets, would be tediously limited without the efforts of food processors. We would eat peas only in July, tomatoes only in the autumn and soup only when we took the trouble to make it from raw ingredients.

Food processors like to call in which the original characteristics are buried beneath a merciless barrage of chemical sounding tide which accurate the harvest. It is a grand-pose of their existence. Yet they have been so successful they are pilloried unfairly. They produce an impense they are pilloried unfairly. They produce an impense to forgotten that the seasons that we have almost genic conditions in vast of the other end of the scale delude consumers through and suppliers has escaped the net of the monopolies legislation.

In the chain of food distribution, however, the products that accure on convenience and cost before anything else. The principal success of the food industry the strength of the Common food processors for time and money for use time and money

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forgotten that the seasons gienic conditions in vast People travel more than in quantities. They keep the the past. They spend longer at quantities. When we see a tin of population from starving, and evening classes and on their regetables in a shop we do not the population ignores them the population or sneers at them.

than the cost of a fin of we deserve. Shoppers have we deserved us the trouble of digging, peeling, cooking and storing.

We see the tin of vegetables ment of a multitude of interlocking talents, but as one of a number of equally dull groceries. Buying them is a chore; earing them a foods and methods out of adeptive that the cost of a fin of we deserve. Shoppers have of the morning spent over a most important thing ahout the trouble of well as the price. Companies on children returning home may storing.

We see the tin of vegetables cheaper. Thus the price of a kipper and a plateful of toast. Today they are more likely to uncell and a packet of crisps.

Processors are often a chore; earing them a foods and methods out of adeptive that it has occasion-

dulgraceries, Buying them is cused of squeezing traditional adapted itself to the times so a chore; earing them a foods and methods out of adeptly that it has occasion-necessity. We tend to associate the food processing nation to increase sales. But Competition has been fierce industry not with glamour, they are not in the business of a companies have undercut excilement and entertain-destroying good food. They each other ruthlessly and ment, but with uniformity and do not produce ham with the mergers have been frequent. The word the word.

The expert cheese grader is sgainst traditional cooked are parts of larger empires.

forced to apply his knowledge ham. Some companies pro- Cadbury Schweppes, which to the production of a million duce the latter as well as the was once associated in the identical rectangles which, former at almost twice the public mind with chocolate

plantations into the relentless of fruit. Important contender in the uniformity of teabags. Food processors produce markets for salt, suet, cake Are the criticisms justified? Is the industry guilty response to public demand. The industry is often said to flavour some offerings of land and sea, and of turning them point missed by those who combines whose power to into a luridly-coloured mush of first into a small number of large complain that food companies dictate terms to customers

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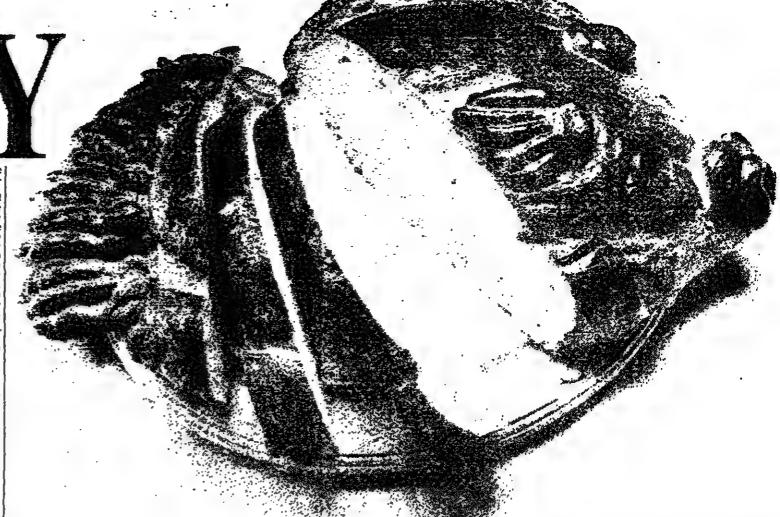
At the other end of the scale the retail business is even more concentrated than the food processing industry with the six largest supermarket chains accounting for more than a third of the national grocery trade. That gives the chains enormous power to dictate terms about porices and deliveries to the food companies. It also means that if a new product is rejected by some of the largest chains, that product is

The consumer is the final link in the chain and does well out of it. There is variety for all, and those who demand the best quality and variety are catered for. Processors have suffered most from the squeeze on profits caused by a static population and a steady tendency for families to spendess of their income on food.

Their public image is poor. They are accused of spending money on advertising sugarco foods that would be better devoted to independent re-search into tooth decay. They are accused of wasting pack aging by putting small prod ucts in large boxes and of raising false expectations about their goods with the crafty design of labels.

While they lay themselve open to such claims, their genuine value of "preservers of the harvest" will be

Hugh Clayton



Brussels a source of frustration

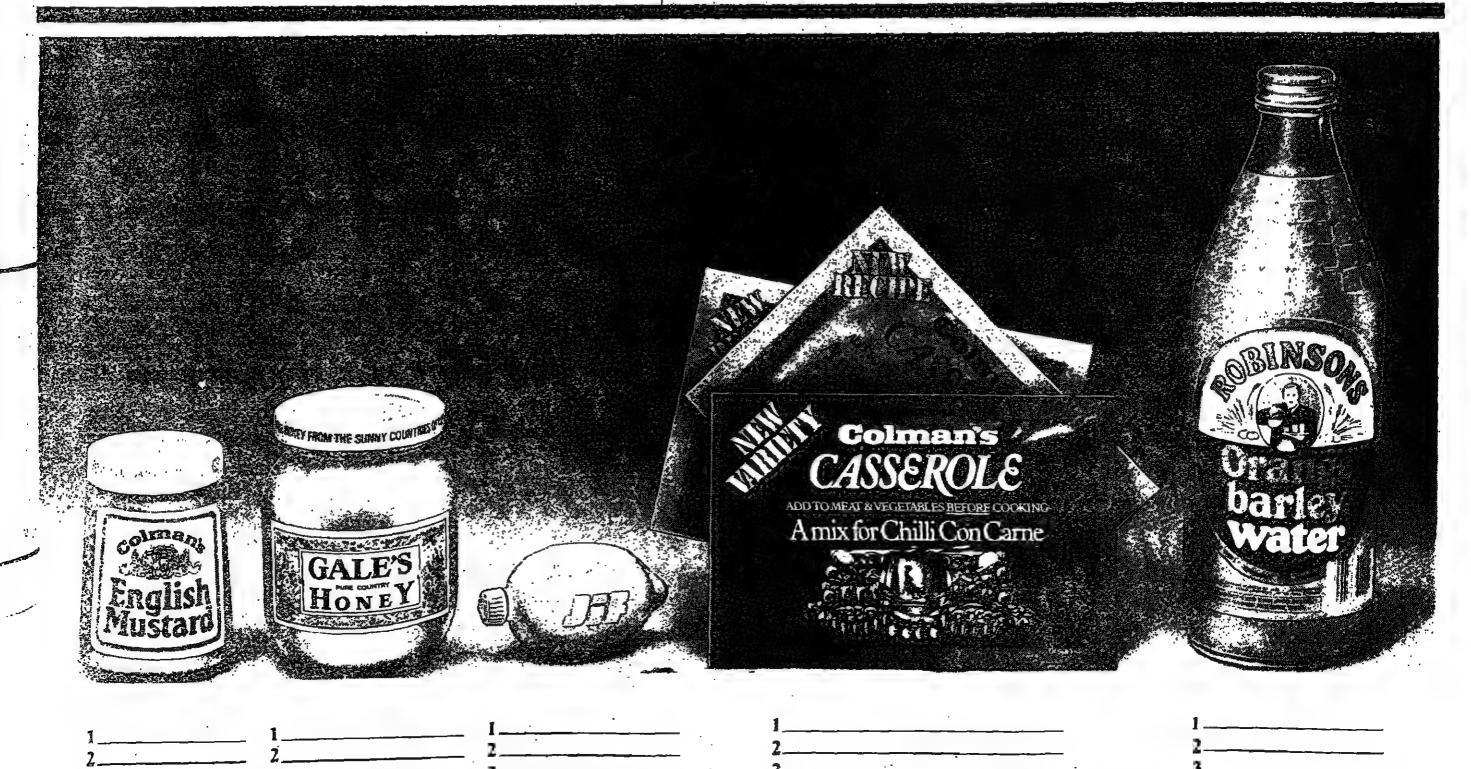
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Loaf of fish by Bonita Young.

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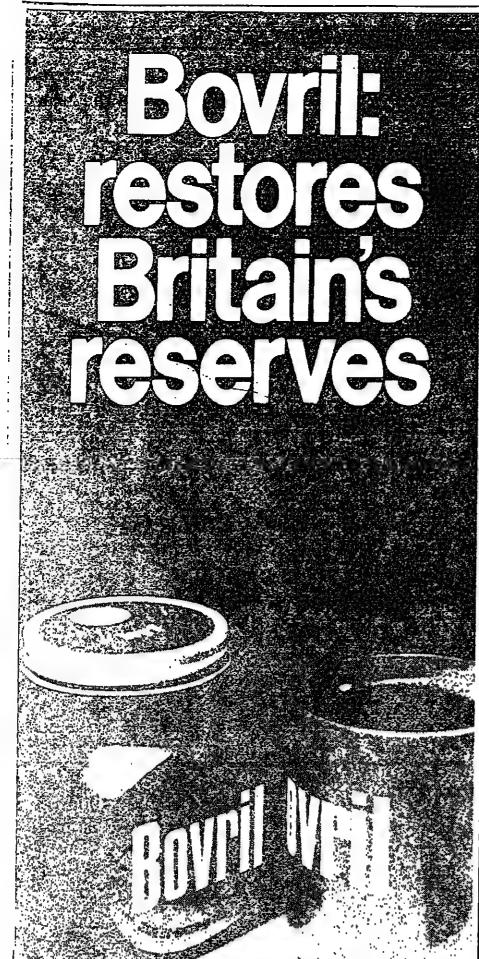
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the population of the world increases as predicted, by the turn of the century the demand for protein will exceed 400 million tonnes a year. Just how the extra volume can be provided by the food and agricultural industries is a bit of a

mystery. Animal husbendry has its limitations. The meat-eating habits of the Western countries place an enormous strain on protein food supplies because cattle are inefficient converters of crops to protein.

Grain used for animal feedstuff would multiply the world's protein supply seven or eightfold if it was consumed as food. The development of fish farming will make only a tiny contribution to supplies of protein; indeed it will probably be too small even to replace the fish stocks being lost for a variety of reasons to the inshore and deep sea vessels.
The effort to maintain the

protein supplies of the industrialized countries by intensifying carde and poul-try breeding and increasing isheries begs the question of the imbalance between the

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The best, although scurcely nspiring, advice that the offer is still the old motto of the British Nutrition Foun dation, "variety and moder-ation", with, these days, certain important riders...

At the most elementary level, nutrition in Britain is not much of a problem. Most people have more than enough to eat and with about 30 per cent of the population overweight, the most wide spread nutritional problem is

obably obesity. This is not to say that under-nutrition does not exist even today. Early this century about 70 per cent of children in large industrial towns were affected by rickets, the bone-deforming condition caused by lack of sunlight and ritamin D.

That disease has almost disappeared among white children, but between 5 per cent and 10 per cent of Britain's 900,000 Asians, particularly strict vegans, are still estimated to suffer from

The elderly of all races remain susceptible to osteomalacia, the adult form of the disease, and sub-clinical scur vy from lack of vitamin C i still found among the old, particularly those with low incomes.

At another level Britain's current diet may be doing much harm, Although the epidemic of heart disease, particularly among men, may at last be reducing, diet almost certainly plays a part in its causation, although smoking and lack of exercise are also key factors.

There is still dispute about which fats in the diet are actually to blame, but there is now general agreement that most people would benefit from cutting their total fat intake, whether in the form of visible fats, such as cream, butter, margarine, meat and fried food, or invisible ones as in cakes, biscuits and puddings. More potatoes, bread and vegetables would keep up the energy intake while adding more fibre to diet which may well reduce bowel disease and possibly heart

For those who are over weight there is little alterna-tive to eating less and exercising more, but weight for weight bread, fresh fruit and vegetables are less fatten ing than fatty foods and mor

Brown breads, particularly those with added fibre and bran, are becoming more popular. A Department of Health committee is expected soon to recommend changes in the strict regulations that cover bread manufacture to allow advantage to be taken of recent advances in tech nology that could make the

With concern growing in the medical profession about the risks of raised blood pressure, some reduction in salt intake is probably also desirable. Salt is an important preservative, particularly in processed foods, but pressure on food manufacturers to offer low-salt products, at least as an alternative, is · Even the more conservative likely to grow in Britain as it

ago: "Nutrition is not an exact difficult to demonstrate con- that on balance they have right." science". clusively, and any risks they added variety to the diet, carry almost as hard to prove, encouraging people to eat a

substances, except where Despite the changes in risks can be demonstrated, foods available compared

consumer is again to cling to that frozen food in particular variety, not eating too much is fast-frozen fresh means its of any one food, or type of nutritional value is comparwhether canned, fro- able to fresh food, and in the zen, dehydrated or coloured, case of vegetables that have to the exclusion of others, been transported to market, There is some apposition to rested in the shop and been attempts to rationalize and stored in the home before reduce the number of these use, it may well be superior.

on the ground that the wider with 50 years ago, the advice the variety used the lower still remains much the same the intake of any one — variety and moderation, substance will be. with less fat, more fibre, less Even the more conservative experts find themselves offering reasonably firm advice then having to modify it a few years later as the next set of research findings comes up.

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As was stated in a Department of Health and Social Security booklet, with considerable candour three years afters of such substances and on the viewed with suspicion, particularly by the health food dation, says: "It sounds siderable candour three years safety of such substances addicts, but the evidence is boring, but it happens to be ago: "Nutrition is not an exact

Nicholas Timmins

RHW is planning for the economic upturn Last year, Ranks Hovis McDougall Other new products that were instantly popular - Hovis digestive biscuits, a further

paid over \$200 million in wages and salaries, contributed nearly £12 million to the state in taxes and distributed £10 million to shareholders in dividends.

The money to do this was earned from the side of our products worldwide. We make wholesome and interesting foods for family meals: catering products used in four-star hotels and hospital kitchens; products for other food companies to use as raw materials; and for farmers. feed, seed, fertilisers and crop sprays.

We achieved sales in 1980 of nearly £11/2 billion against mounting competition in markets where value remains all-important. Yet in spite of the pressures, we are maintaining our quality standards, improving our efficiency, building new factories and looking to the future.

INVESTMENT PROGRAMME SUSTAINED

Some of the highlights of 1980 in the United Kingdom were a new \$3 million industrial catering product factory at Reading, a factory at Glasgow for our pulse and lentil business, a £312 million feed mill at Poole, mechanised warehouses in flour mills, two new plants to mill brown flour-and innumerable modernisation projects at bakeries. mills and factories throughout the land. Amongst our acquisitions was a large mushroom farm in Sussex.

OVERSEAS SALES ADVANCE

More than 25 per cent of our 1980 profits came from overseas business, mainly in the USA and Australasia. In the USA we have half-a-dozen factories producing pasta, apple juice and peanut . . butter. Last year we acquired another pasta company, in Seattle. In Indonesia we built a chicken processing plant to add to the string we operate from Singapore eastwards. In Australia we built a grape processing plant in the Burossa Valley in time to press 13,000 tonnes of grapes from the 1980 harvest.

WINDMILL BAKERY -and other newcomers

To capture the rising market for brown bread we launched a new national brand last autumn. Windmill Bakery, with a \$115 million television campaign. There are four varieties: wholemeal, granary, bran and country brown.

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Ricthers Pride, Horts, Windmitt Bakery, Mr Kipling, Record pasts, Black Diamond cheese, Bisto, McDougalls pro products, Paxo, Atora, Scotts perage oats, Chees wood products, Sharwoods products—theret almost certainly an

Metal Box is now bringing to the British food industry the considerable benefits of the 2-piece can. The new techniques of Draw, Re-Draw and Draw and Walf Ironing dispense with side and 1 bottom seams and give you cans with the greatest possible integrity. They also look better and they stack better,

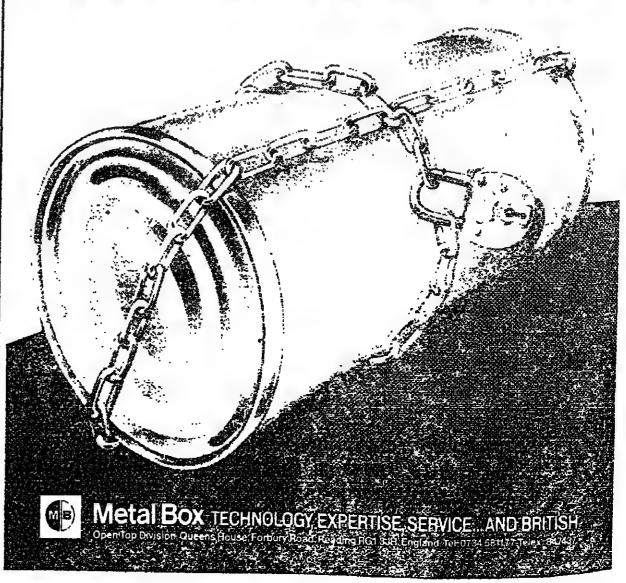
Our 2-piece cans use less raw

save energy and conserve resources. And, because the solder adhesion property of taplate is no longer required, they open the way to cans made from other materials.

Metal Box already supplies 2 piece cans to RJ. Heinz Co. Ltd., for their baby food - perhaps the most demanding section of the food market - and we are now working on applications in other high volume areas

This and other new technology is just one aspect of Metal Box investment. commitment and service to the canned food industry. There's also the most varied product range in the U.K., a continuing R & D programme, research and information services, test bed facilities, the Canned Food Advisory Service...and more besides. Small wonder that Metal Box is the strongest

material than 3-biece cans and help Were Making Your CANS EVEN MORE SECURE.



Artists in colour

Additives

The food technologist h the took technologist he become quite an artist on the past few years. With tinge of yellow here, tincture of blue there, or i merest trace of some oth of peas or pot of jam transformed to mimic natural splendour of

produce.
Colouring agents ma
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molecules synthesized in i laboratory are not the or additives to foods. Hundre additives to foods. Hundre of other compounds act preservatives. stabilize flavourings, emulsifiers a thickeners, but few of the provoke the controver which surrounds the regulations for monitoring it safety of colouring conpounds.

The British hipper w

The British kipper w in Brussels were advised to the substance BFK ("bro for kipper"), which my kippers their distinct appearance, did not m regulations. That storm regulations, and cleared, but far more wi cleared, but far more wi ranging rules are bei prepared by the EEC harmonize the different between nations over th colour preferences.

In principle the lations are concerned ces are derived into the categories: those whi must not be banned Community countries, the which may be permitted, a those which are prohibing Each additive has to satisfy scientific committee in Brisels which examines d. from toxicity tests.

Several colouring age are expected to fall at t hurdle because tests will a be done in time for substances to be register The cost of producing required information is m than £40,000 for each age The work after which nine the main colouring mater have been approved for Community count

A substance known yellow 2G, which had been general use in the Unit Kingdom, has been dropp because the amount demand did not justify t price of safety trials. B liant blue FCF, which is great demand by most co rries, has passed the scientific committee but is stubling through the El conomic committees, who t has also to find approv forces can loom suddenly satisfy the anti-colour lob of a particular count Arguments shout other ad tives are not as emotive

There are food colouring which only the British a Dutch use, and there a processes which the Italian for instance, resist because natural if pallid hus preferred to the artifici enhancement. Beauty is the eye of the consumer.

Cost pressures and slim profits make for big squeeze

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Cost pressures cut deep on food manufacturers. At | the overall squeeze on the industry, a settlement on Packaging Cost pressures out deep on 1000 manufacturers. At the overall squeeze on the industry, a settlement of the same time, profit margins are dangerously slim, that issue at present seems unlikely. Some sectors the food this leaves the industry like a sandwich filling that is still expect a certain amount of overtime to be manufacturers of various heing progressively squeezed -- a description of the dilemma by Mr Barrie Williams, deputy director general of the Food Manufacturers Federation.

There are four main cost pressures. The proportion of costs to every £1 sale of manufactured at between 3 and 4 per cent, compared with the 5 to 7 for packaging telass and metal containers as well as Cost pressures, together with the effects of the costs to une took worked but in others, such as canning, there has manufacturers of various forms of packaging — from glass jars and metal cans to lace shrunken net profit margins. These now stand at between 3 and 4 per cent, compared with the 5 to 7 corrugated cases — are per cent of the 1960s and early 1970s.

Cost pressures, together with the effects of the lowest for two years or more. dilemma by Mr Barrie Williams, deputy director general of the Food Manufacturers Federation.

food sold is 350 for 14w materials, 15p for labour, 10p for packaging (glass and metal containers as well as cartons and bulk packaging) and anything between 2p and 15p or more for energy.

The decline in world trade has tended to stabilize

prices of raw materials and the strong pound is an advantage to buyers. Against that, food manufacturers have had to contend with problems posed by the European Community's Common Agricultural

Policy (CAT).
This year's wage round is now going on and individual settlements so far indicate that the cost of labour will increase by between 7 and 8 per cent. Last year wages went up by about 16 per cent and in 1979

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EEC protectionism over agrirultural products, enshrined should in the Common Agricultural removed relitural products, ensurined should nave tariffs either on room in the Common Agricultural removed or substantially check price reduced, the FMF claims.

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industry partly because of British eating habits.

The sort of bread Britons like can be made only with a high content of the so-called high content of the

ouslities Britans have come to expect and to which the bread industry is geared.

Use of soft wheat from within the EEC makes sense only if Britans could be persuaded to prefer Freuch-suaded to pref style bread, which quickly Spain and Portugal, have to goes stale, and if much of be assessed.

The entry of these countries could help the British ne baking industry were The entry of these coun-estructured.

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Hard wheat is one or the food manufacturers because the Food Manufacturers more self-sufficient in a Federation (FMF) would like to see import levies removed. to see import levies removed. which there are others important access. for the British food makers. A problem arising out of such as maize and long-grain selective EEC aid is the help rice. The FMF has been parsilently unhappy about the
levies on long-grain rice, trate processors in Italy. As
which is used as a vegetable a result, the FMF claims,

dish, unlike the more usual Italian ketchup makers, who in 1978 had less than a 1 per cent share of the United Kingdom ketchup market, now have a market share of round pudding rice.
Italy, the only sizable source of long-grain rice within the EEC, can supply only its own needs. But the writers of EEC import rules have so far refused to recog-nize the need for levy dispen-

strong pound on export pricing, make the exporting more.
This route to increased volume more difficult. Exports factor account for only 5 per cent of manufactured foods at present, but the federation believes this could be boosted to 15 per cent or more if the industry were to

concert its efforts.

In November 1980 the federation launched a five—Overcapacity has tended to year export initiative. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of arise for two reasons. One is the drive for efficiency Agriculture, said: "Throughout history Britain has the drive for efficiency been a food importer. Unlike our competitors we among packaging manufachave not had the necessity to expert food in order to turers, which has resulted in been a food importer. Unlike our competitors we have not had the necessity to export food in order to

The trade unions are pressing for a reduction in the 40-hour working week in the industry and the cost to companies would be substantial. In view of squeeze; food costs under pressure.

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But there is an energy cost being developed. Four-stage element in, say, the can that instead of three-stage evaporators are making the the foud manufacturer huys to package cooked beans. The food makers contend that this should be counted as part of this energy bill. On

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nouses to maintain, the proportion of direct costs rises to as much as 48 per cent.

With energy tariffs in 1980 a greater capital cost in the proportion of direct costs rises to as much as 48 per cent. The problem with such energy conservation systems is invariably that they entail a greater capital cost in equipment. Mr David Land to per cent, food manufacturare can with energy tariffs in 1980 a greater capital cost in up between 35 and 40 per equipment. Mr David Hoscent, food manufacturers say kin, chairman of the Food that the overall costs for the Manufacturers Federation in 1978 had less than a 1 per that the overall costs for the cent share of the United industry have in consecution within the EEC might lead to the imposition in Britain of value-added tax on all main foods. (So far only energy costs may be to adopt these systems, and I share of the industry have in consecution to the interest of the consecution for the mains the possibility that moves towards harmonization within the EEC might lead to the imposition in Europe.

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differentiate between the Britain of value-added tax on One way of reducing considerable incentive to long-grain and round varieties.

Levies should be revised on dehydrated onions and on covered biscuits are taxed.) — where boilers can be more of them into orange juice, the FMF be
Such a gearing up of food readily adapted. Among sev-

This arises from two factors; overcapacity in a number of packaging sectors and the strength of sterling, which makes imports cheap-

the commissioning of many new plants with higher volume outputs, The other is that stany plants were brought into operation, or planned, before the oil crisis in the early 1970s affected

world trade.

The domestic supply of metal cans was once dominated by Metal Box, but there is now increased competition from plants set up in the House Kingdom by up in the United Kingdom by the two big United States bed boiler at tomato growing manufacturers, American

nurseries operated by the Co-operative Wholesale So-ciety near, hereford. This There is more equilibrium between the supply of glass containers and the demand for them, but the fact that installation, as flexible as an oil-burner, has been sufficiently successful for the installation of a further one to have been planned. Many glass manufacture is continuous process puses problem, in that production runs ahead of demand in forms of conservation are being developed, Four-stage winter (when stocks are allowed to grow) and below it in summer (when the stocks act as the buffer).

If demand forecasts go orators are making the production of dried and condensed milk more energy-

y as part of this energy bill. On that basis, fuel accounts for anything between 8 and 26 of the heat pump, heat used in milk pasteurization which the per cent of total costs.

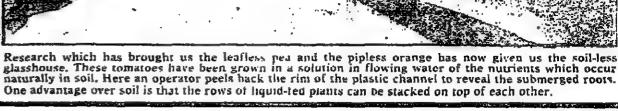
But more direct energy has hitherno been lost in the costs are high for some cooling water can be remanufacturers. Those who claimed. In canning, the use dehydrate vegetables find of continuous retorting protects of their total costs. For consumed in cooking in the tomato-growers with green atmosphere.

If demand forecasts go swry it is easy for shortages to occur in a good summer that has led food manufacturers to turn, at first temporarily, to overseas suppliers. But — especially with sterling chespening the links with overseas the links with overseas the suppliers have become firmed tomato-growers with green atmosphere. to keep all glass container prices down.

Coosequently, whereas two years ago glass manufac-turers could fairly readily pass on to the food manufacturers any extra costs, greater effort now has to go into containing cost increases by improved efficiency. Increased import compe tition because of the effect

of the exchange rate has also restrained price increases in paper and board cartons and in flexible packaging such as multi-ply laminates — pouches for foods like dry soup

Derek Harris



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Brussels a source of frustration

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For many food manufacturing operations, it does not matter whether the sugar dominated by one grocer, so influence over the agricultural policy, but they have

farmers. The price levels cane is preferable to beet, served by one supplier, in the nature of the policy.

decided by ministers in Brussels at the end of each spring from more than eight years of grocery ingredients, In the costs of British membership of the consense the impact of the bowed aside by farmers in from outside the Community successive Chancellors ask-

chocolate biscuits, were once saddled with purchase tax because they were considered to be luxuries. It was considered inappropriate to exempt from purchase tax foods which were not necessities. When pur-chase tax gave way to VAT those foods remained taxed. The industry argued vainly that it was ludicrous to tax a cheap packet of crisps while allowing caviare to be sold

Hugh Clayton

A glass and a half, with VOULMOWWNO.



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The High Street war began in the late 1970s because shoppers were reducing the proportion of their income that they spent on food, Supermarket chains, led by Tesco, decided that extensive price-cuts were needed to Supermarket chains, led by Tesco, decided that extensive price-cuts were needed to stimulate what is known in the full supermarket chains like

tradeas "customer traffic".

The war was fought on two fronts. The supermarket chains were doing battle with the manufacturers who supply them as well as with each other. Company results have shown in the past few months that the grocers have been more successful than ing themselves from falling

The manufacturers have produced a succession of layoffs, factory closures and profit cuts in recent months.
The food retail trade has fared much better. J. Sainshury, which enjoyed a spectacular increase in profits in 1980, must rank as one of the most successful of all food must rank as one

several continents. Sainsbury lives or dies on its ability as a food retailing group in Britain.

The leading food manufac-Sainsbury and Tesco are committed to retailing more than anything else. Some of the chains which they have overtaken in recent years are, like food manufacturing companies, parts of much larger combines with inter-ests elsewhere.

cery trade has been just as extensive as in food manufacturing, but less obvious.
Anyone who huys a frozen
chicken leg or a wrapped
loaf knows that it comes from a factory rather than a farmyard or a cottage bak-

Concentration in the gro-

CHANGING EATING HABITS percentage of households buying each food) Crisps Packet jelly **1974** 1979

for more than a third of all shoppers. The power of

Source: National Food Survey

(oz per head per week) ☐ White bread Brown bread 20-15 10 1974 1975 1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 third quarter of each year □ Butter **Margarine** Source: National Food Survey

CONSUMPTION OF FOOD AT HOME

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shoppers. Mr Peter Firmston-Williams, managing director of the Asda chain of supermarkets, said in February that the growth of own-label goods was eroding the strength of brands. Such goods are those sold under a goods

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market research that the division between the two classes of grocery is not seen so clearly by shoppers. The cut-price own-label product is seen not as a cheap and

The aim of marketing experts in the food industry is to discover the next fish finger. The term is imprecise: the experts do not really mean fish finger, although it is intriguing to speculate about replacing the present yellow oblong with. Say, a green cylinder.

When the industry talks about the next fish finger it

When the industry talks about the next fish finger it is thinking about something as yet undiscovered that will exert the same enduring hypnotic power as its predecessor did over the same and the same enduring hypnotic power as its prede-cessor did, over many of the families of Britain. The food market is thought to be ripe for a new smash hit, greater than custard powder, mightier than instant mash and more stupendous even than soft margarine.

When the fish finger reached Britain from the United States it was seen as

a curiosity. Sceptics felt that frozen foods were unlikely to make much headway be-cause of the expensive appar-atus needed to preserve them in shops and homes. Now that more than 25 years have passed, it is clear that the fish finger is one of the most important grocery innova-tions of the postwar years. Rivals made from bacon and chicken have failed to shake

its supremacy.

One of the strongest candidates for the role of the fish finger is the frozen pizza.

This disc of dough, with its bright red savoury spread, has claimed the loyalty of many who know little and probably care nothing about the origin of the dish. It has a combination of attributes which mark a modern groce-

ry success.

It is easy to devise something that is cheap to make and durable enough to survive the journey from factory to table; and fairly simple, too, to concoct a product with sufficient novelty and variety to make it more enticing than such traditional packed in tins and cardboard
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to eat and sleep, there may not be enough to store and prepare food. There will be a small but secure place for expensive prepared meals with higher profit margins than most other groceries. Some householders will glad. It is the briefest policy and containing the briefest policy and the bri with higher profit margins down and torgotten, so the tran most other groceries, it creates the briefest possible interruption in a bully pay restaurant prices for life. Food processors returned that one of their grants challenges is the challenges in the challeng the chance to entertain at nize that one of their grane by microwaving their packed portions or by boiling them in the bag. Space-saving will probably become as ing will probably become as the same of their grane in the bag. Space-saving will probably become as the same of the same important in what marketing chore. men call the "in-home situation" as money-saving has been in recent years.



Frozen food, with its cemand for bulky and exwith its pensive storage equipment will be vulnerable to successful new developments. Food custom are part of a considerated in tips and cardboard paign to make food inter-

cut-price own-label product is seen not as a cheap and sometimes nasty alternative, but something as desirable as a product which carries a well-known brand name.

The implications for manufacturers are grim. If their brand names lose appeal in the eyes of shoppers, there will be even less incentive for a grocer to order one brand rather than another. The power of the grocer over the manufacturer who supplies him will be even greater.

Hugh Clayton

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Food-freezing will probably turn out to have been the most important development in the mass grocery market in the second half of stated: "Use of these type of outlets is seen as a content of the second flavour of frozen produce and the low price of outlets is seen as a content of the most important development in the mass grocery the text is ill the text of the most important development in the mass grocery market in the second half of the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a product and the twentieth century. It will not survive on its present scale if someone invents a p

high cost.

One obstacle to new des opment is that people ; their food. They regard it The growth of supermark

in the 1960s and 1970s ; based on telling consum as often and as loudly possible that the most portant thing about food its price. Supermar barons no longer want th stores to be warehouses which the monotony of displays is relieved o by placards proclaim: "Cheap", "Bargain" by placa "Cheap", "Save".

The modern supermark having helped to supers, the traditional street of m shops, now tries to born the appearance of such street. Bread is no longe row of wrapped loaves, bu produced in a number varieties, with some care an "in-store" bakery. Mea not a static display of Ce phane-wrapped cuts, but prepared by staff in stri aprons visibly sawing chopping in the backgrou These departures fr



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COMING UP AGAINST REALITY

Any new American Administraion must be allowed a period of grace in which to get organized. The structure of the American system makes a smooth entry Whereas a new British govern. anent takes over-or is taken The Professional Civil Service the new President has several Merican President has several housand jobs to fill and a huge to etinue of followers jostling to wherein the has to re-create possess aske them. He has to re-create possess substantial part of the machine of the machine state and constant as well as deciding from scratch, as well as deciding he policies it is to pursue. President Reagan is having a

and particularly rough start for two nain reasons, one institutional and the other political. His experience is to end the corrosive and distracting ivalry between the State Department and the National Security ouncil which has dogged so many previous Administrations. by Ever since the days of President Factories Kennedy foreign policy has been the white House in here the NSC has the advantage President and under his direct

patronage and control. The shift made some sense in iso far as the NSC is well placed in hring together all the different departmental interests which are now involved in foreign policy but it was taken to extremes by President Nixon, who suffered from an obsessive distrust of established bureaucracy and found in Dr Kissinger the ideal partner in circumventing it, even as Secretary of State. President Carter tried to redress the halance but was never able to settle the policy differences herviern the two bodies, and he left the NSC in the hands of a particularly assertive and ambirious man.

President Reagan rightly decided to shift the balance back in favour to the State Department where he hoped to find the professionalism necessary for a coherent foreign policy.

Biggs to be spirited away from

his haven in Brazil to find him-

self the subject of extradition

proceedings in Barbados. But he

does not deserve the sympathy

the British public. Even if the

thirty years' prison sentence im-posed on him was excessive,

warranted neither by the offence

nor by his part in the conspiracy,

he was nevertheless implicated

in a serious crime which involved

the use of violence and resulted

in serious injury to the train

driver, and possibly to his pre-

mature death. The picaresque

romanticism which fugitives from justice naturally excite

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he meanness of Mr Eiggs's

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Since his escape, he has managed

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He chose Mr Haig as a strong and well-known figure to head it, and gave the NSC to Mr

Richard Allen, a man of politically much lower rank who was apparently ready to play a less conspicuous role than his predecessor. Mr Haig grasped the opportunity with both hands and seemed set to become, as he himself described it, the President's "vicar" in foreign policy. He is now finding that things are not so simple, and has come

near to resigning over the appointment of Mr Bush, the Vice-President, as head of the NSC's crisis-management operation. Not that Mr Haig would necessarily have expected the job himself but the way in which it was announced, and the lack of consultation, made it clear that opposition to Mr Haig is increasing. In the eyes of the White House he has over-reached himself and is now being taught a lesson.

Although the opposition this time comes not from the NSC hut from the President's own entourage, beaded by Mr Ed Meese, it obviously raises fears that relations between the State Department and the White House are going to be as messy under Mr Reagan as under his predecessor, especially as there has already been a confusion of signals emanating from different

parts of the Administration. He came to office with a very simple view of the world as being largely explicable in terms of between the United States and the Soviet Union. He also believed, on the basis of opinion polls, that the public had recovered from defeat in Vietnam, was " fired of being pushed around" and was ready for more assertive policies. His main priority in foreign policy was therefore to build up the military strength of the country and show that he was ready to use it.

The impression of incoherence now emanating from Washington policies together.

RONALD BIGGS IS NOT ROBIN HOOD

tion?

is to a great extent the result of these simple assumptions coming up against the complexity of reality. The first attempt to put the new attitudes into practice in Salvador has not been a success. The distinction between the forces of good and evil turned our to be less clear than' was thought. The Europeans remained sceptical of Washington's solutions, and even American public and congressinual opinion is now wavering. In southern Africa and the Middle East, too, it has jurned out more difficult than expected to produce policies which reconcile reality with the platform on which Mr Reagan was elected. And on the big central issue of relations with the Soviet Union it is becoming difficult to resist pressure from Europe and other quarters to explore the possibilities for negotiation with rather more earnestness than was at first envisaged.

Part of Mr Haig's problem is that it has been his job to put these problems before members of the Administration with less experience in foreign affairs. In doing so he has increased the suspicion with which conserva-tives still regard him because of his association with Dr Kissinger. He may seem a hard-liner from this side of the Atlantic but in Washington some people still associate him with détente and watch him closely for signs that: he is still infected. It is, however. precisely because he combines a robust attitude towards the Soviet Union with awareness of the need to keep East-West communications open that he enjoys a great deal of trust in Europe. The men around Mr Reagan should therefore realize that if they cut too much ground from under his feet they are liable to make it even more difficult than it is already to bring American and European

argued, however, that the prin-

ciple could extend to the

encouragement of grave acts of

But who, precisely, would be encouraged, and to do what? The

motives of Mr Biggs's abductors

are far from clear, but it is

certain that they did not do it for

a financial reward, or any other

benefit, from the British autho-

rities. Whatever their reasons,

reaction to them, are unlikely to

encourage other such adven-

turers, For potential kidnappers

with political motives, the affair

provides no lessons whatever.

Nor can it be of any relevance to

The kidnapping was a murky

undoubtedly

and distasteful episode. The

deserve punishment. But it

should not be blown up into an

event raising important questions

of principle. The British Govern-

ment must pursue its claim to

have him returned to a British

jail. How long he should be

required to remain there is

international terrorists.

perpetrators

another matter.

terrorism and kidnapping.

It is hard luck on Mr Ronald There is, however, one troubling have been a very serious instance Eiggs to be spirited away from aspect of the saga which should of international outlawry. It is

aspect of the saga which should

be considered seriously. The cir-

cumstances leading up to his

present predicament are not en-

tirely clear, and it is possible

that a caper which started off as

a publicity stunt turned to Mr

Biggs's disadvantage when his

captors decided to take him to

Barbados. On the assumption.

however, that the abduction was

genuine, with no element of col-

lusion by Mr Biggs, his presence

in Bardados was the result of an

illegal act of international ban-

ditry. Should we, for that reason,

decline to ask for his extradi-

If that is to be answered

affirmatively, it should not be

because of some misplaced sense

of sportsmanship or fair play. It

is no principle of international

law, or of the relations between

states, that we should decline to take advantage of Mr Biggs's

fortuitous presence in a country

from which he can be extradited.

Would we, however, be condon-

ing and encouraging the kind of

criminal act that brought Mr

Biggs to Barbados? The abduc-

tion of Mr Biggs itself may not

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Civil Service aims for new pact

From the Secretary General of the Council of Civil Service Unions Sir, Lord Houghton (March 24) asks if the leaders of the Civil Service unions will explore his suggestion that the House of Commons Select Committee on the Treasury and Civil Service should consider the current Civil Service pay dispute. There are two major considera-

tions to bear in mind. The select committee cannot speak for the Government and any investigation is bound to take a considerable time. The Council of Civil Service Unions has always been, and remains, anxious to negotiate on the 1981 review and to go to arbi tration if there is disagreement. We are also anxious to reach agreement on a new and orderly system for the future, which would be fair to the community and to the service and which would avoid a repetition of this dispute.

We will also respond positively to any attempt to bring the two sides together, but we do not see how the select committee could fulfil such a role, or play a part in producing the quick solution which every sensible person wants to achieve. Unhappily, the Government in the contract of ment's inactivity indicates neither concern nor urgency. Yours faithfully,

W. L. KENDALL, Secretary General, Council of Civil Service Unions, 19 Rochester Row, SW1.

From Mr W. Wright

Sir, Your columns have been used to accuse us of disloyalty—one eminent correspondent even suggested that treachery was afoor. Those whom we represent find these allegations wholly offensive. They have given and will continue to give loyel service to the Ministry of Defence. But not at any price.

Since the Government assumed office, the civilian staff of the Nav has been reduced by some 14,000. Hundreds of our members are being made redundant within the next four weeks in order to meet the "cash limit" imposed by the Gov-ernment. As a result of the Prime Minister's statement on the size of the Civil Service in 1984 a further 30,000 posts must be climinated. These are jobs, many of which represent career prospects that will never be replaced.

At the same time we have seen the pay of the Services being in-creased well in excess of the pay of comparable civilians in the ministry, The Government, despite representations to the Secretary of State for Defence and his predecessors, her consistently refused to recognize that defence is essentially an antaigam of service and civilian effort. The "teeth" and the "tail" re equally necessary to

Accustomed as we are to being Accustomed as we are to being kicked in the "tail" we react when we are kicked in the "teeth" and that is why loyal civilians in the ministry find themselves having to be in a section. Measured action. against proven scandals in the world of intelligence the allegations of disloyalty and treachery pale into insignificance.

Yours faithfully, W. WRICHT, Trade Union Side Chairman, Ministry of Defence Council of Civil Service Unions,

Old War Office Building, Whitehall, SW1. March 25.

in January, 1967, after many years of intermittent ill-health and the violent grief and the suicidal despair of this normally robust man shocked and frightened us all. In March he agreed to undergo psychiatric treatment but made only slow and fitful progress. In June he suf-fered a relapse and talked again des-

Survival in nuclear war From Professor W. F. Nash and

others Sir, Over the past few months there has appeared a range of statements in the media on the possible effects of a nuclear war on the population of this country leading to conclu-sions that home defence will be sions that dome desence will be ineffectual and even undesirable. While in no way wishing to sup-port the concept that nuclear war is acceptable, and bearing in mind is acceptable, and bearing in mind that the effects of such an attack could be devastaring, we do feel that the complete sense of hopelessness which is engendered by these statements should not be allowed to go unchallenged.

Some of these statements even imply that those involved in con-

sidering how to protect people in the event of such an attack are themselves helping to increase the themselves helping to increase the probability of a nuclear war and to condition the public to accept it; this implication we reject entirely. It is our firm view that, as long as nuclear weapons exist in the form they do today, it is a common obligation to make such plans as are feasible to mitigate the effects of such a calamity should it occur.

It is by no means certain that the United Kingdom would be subject to a saturation attack; many pos-sibilities , arise including limited attacks on specific targets, acciden-tal attacks and the possibility of fallour from continental weapons with no direct attack on this country. In every case there would be survivors in need of belp and lives could be sayed by having made appropriate home defence prepar-

In a nuclear attack there are two distinct aspects to consider. Firstly, at the time of the explosion, damage and casualties are caused by heat and blast and further harm to living things is caused by radiation. The heat and blast effects are of much greater magnitude than those produced by conventional highexplosive weapons, but the temperatures and pressure levels which result from a nuclear explosion are well understood physical phenomena and their effects on humans, animals, plants and structures can be predicted with some degree of

confidence. The new phenomenon produced by a nuclear weapon is that of radiation, especially from the fallour of radioactive products produced at the time of explosion. The effects of radiation at the anticipated levels of intensity are twofold: deaths would occur over periods of days or weeks from heavy irradiation and there would be longer term risks of cancer among the survivors which would be manifest in an increased cancer incidence after long periods of up to perhaps 20 years. There is, how-

Call for progress on Bill of Rights From Mr Geoffrey Rippon, QC, MP Lawyers in 1976 and approved by a

for Hexkam (Conservative) Sir, The time has come for Parliamajority in the report from the select committee of the house of Sir. The time has come for Parliament to reasact its traditional function as the protector of the rights of individuals against the arbitrary acts of the Executive. Increasingly, we have exchanged the protection of the rule of law—the guarantee of individual rights under the law by independent courts—for a complex system of administrative law that is changed from day to day and even reprosperitely Lords, to which it was reteried. On September 3, 1953, Sir Winston Churchill's last administration committed the United Kingdom Government under international law as a high contracting party to the European Convention of Human Rights. We have a treaty obligation to observe the terms of the convention, but that does not make the articles are the convention. day to day, and even retrospectively, articles part of our law. Thus our judges cannot look at the convention by a Parliament that has become the passive tool of government. We may increasingly envy the directly when they have a human rights problem to resolve. In conseprotection given to individual rights by the United States Supreme Court which can override unconstitutional evence, our citizens are increasingly being forced to seek remedies for executive action. This is why I welcomed the undertaking in the Conservative Party election mani-

Strasbourg, festo that a Conservative Govern-ment would wish to discuss a possible Bill of Rights with all parties. No doubt the drafting of any form of written constitution, particularly one which seeks to entrench its provisions, raises formidable problems. There is, however, one step that can and should be taken immediately to restrain the abuse of power. Twice the Bill of Rights Bill, which is intended to render the provisions of the Euro-

to play. Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY RIPPON, House of Commons.

Victim of circumstance

pean Convention for the Protection of Human Rights enforceable in the courts of the United Kingdom, has been promoted in the House

Lords by the Liberal peer, Lord

The Government should respond to the early-day motion signed by over 150 MPs and provide time at

Wade, and carried through all its stages with support from members

an early date for a second reading of this Bill in the House of Com-mons. All debates on it should take

place with the same free vote that

the Government advocated in the

House of Lords, Such a Bill was recommended by a powerful com-mittee of the Society of Conservative

of all parties.

Sir, Mr Chapman Pincher alleges in his book, Their Trade is Treachery, that my late brother in law, Bernard Floud, along with numerous other Labour members of Parliament (he refers incredibly to "more than 60 Labour MPs and a score or so of Labour peers ") was suspected by the security authorities of being at best a secret member of the Communist Party and at worst touch with Soviet intelligence".

tendentious reference to his suicide in 1967, coupled with the statement that as a prospective junior minister he was being questioned by MIS about his pust political beliefs activities, invites the improbable conclusion that he must indeed need guilty of treachery.

I think it should be made clear

the sake of his reputation and the feelings of his children and other close relatives like myself that this cruel gloss on his tragic death is endrely gratuitous. The trauma of bereavement is explanation enough. Bernard Floud's wife, Ailsa, died

paringly of killing himself. A holiday abroad in August gave him strength to fulfil a number of en-gagements in his constituency dur-

ever, a sufficient body of radiobi-ological knowledge available on which to assess the magnitude of

The detailed effects of nuclear wer-ons are described in the HMSO publication; Nuclear Weapons, or the more detailed United States Weapons, both of which are readily available to members of the public. We regard the figures given there

Fallout can occur at areat the target zone many lives can

It is clear that any government has an obligation to take steps to protecting the survivors but also ensuring that an administrative survivors can be made as large possible. Survivors would not be return to a more normal way of life can be ensured provided the

It is for these reasons that those of us who act and have, acted in a voluntary capacity as advisers on home defence feel that our effort is worth while. We have found it most encouraging that among us there are young scientists who continue to come forward to help in a task that is as manifestly humanitarian as it is necessary in the dangerous

W. F. NASH, FRANK LLEWELYN-JONES,

what they regard at infringement, of their rights by direct representa-tion to the European Court in

That court, as Lord Scarman has pointed out, is, in present circumstances, unfortunately deprived of the wisdom and experience of our judges and the traditions of English law ". For my part, I would certainly have preferred the British Rail closed shop cases and the claims of the expropriated aircraft and ship-huilding companies to have been

heard by our own courts.

The Government can hardly ignore the fact that the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham, has long been an advocate of this measure which he has argued would prevent encroachment by Parliament upon individual liberties. These encroachments, as he has observed, are not by any means so infrequent as might be supposed. In the armoury of weapons against what Lord Hailsham has eloquently described as "elective dictatorship" a Bill of Rights embodying the European Convention would indeed have a valuable, even if subordinate, part

ing September when the House was in recess and on the urging of his doctor he decided to end his sick From the Principal of Newnham College, Cambridge. leave. He put in a first day's at his Granada office on October 9 at the end of which he declared himself unable to go on. He took his life in the early hours of October 10. Yours faithfully,

IEAN FLOUD, The Principal's Lodge, Newpham Walk, Cambridge.

From Mr T. A. Reynolds Sir, In the long term, perhaps the most disturbing fact to come out of the current speculation about MIS is that the habit of working late in the evening can be seriously cited as evidence of treason,

THOMAS A. REYNOLDS, 5 Queensdale Walk, W11.

Way ahead in Ulster

From Mr John D. Taylor, MEP for Northern Ireland (Ulster Unionist) From Miss Irma Kurtz Sir, Mr Julian Amery, MP, confirms in his letter (March 20) that the one common political objective of all four main political parties in Northern Ireland is a devolved government. Regrettably he then re-peats a fallacy which has destroyed every previous government's initia-tive. He assumes that a prerequisite is that not only should all parties be agreed upon the principle, but they should also agree the detailed structure.
During the Scottish devolution

debate no one requested the Con-servatives, socialists, Liberals and Scorrish Nationalists to agree the details of Scorrish devolution before the Government presented the de-volution Bill to Parliament. If interparty agreement was not possible in Scotland then it is even more im-possible in Ulster and should not

be seriously suggested.

I agree with Julian Amery that
Ulster should have fair representation in Parliament and democracy in local government services. There is no excuse for this Government's delay in these two matters, but let hese is an alternative to devolufrom which remains the prime ob-lective of the Ulster Unionist party. The way ahead for Ulster is for the Government, having consulted with the Ulster political parties, to present its proposal for Ulster devolution to Parliament in the knowledge that inter-party support in Ulster for the details will not be forthcoming and should never be expected. Yours etc.

OHN D. TAYLOR. Ister Unionist Party Glengall Street, Beifast 12.

Church unity

From the Reverend William J. Brown

Sir, Many anni-Covenant individuals in all the pro-Covenant churches share Canon George Austin's clearly stated views (March 21), nor least that marriage presents a model for the unity that God wills. Even in a shared building the male and the female remain distinguishable to heir dying day; and their enriching unity, in the moments when they achieve it, requires the growing recognition of fundamental differences and freedoms. By insisting on bishops and a common ordinal, the best the Covenant can offer is an Anglican body gradually putting on weight it may well feel unhappy about, while traditions that God entrusted to the free churches will have been betrayed.

.It seems a messy, protracted, backhanded way of accepting in the end the straightforward unification envisaged by the Lambeth statement after the First World War. and then the Archbishop's sermon after the Second World War. Imagine God really wanting Blake's lamb to achieve organic union with Blake's tyger! "Visible" unity would have to see them lowing each other the way they are: divided, but with more in common in the future than has yet been realized. Yours faithfuly, WILLIAM BROWN, 31 Littleheath,

Charlton, SE7.

March 21.

Equality without fraternity

From Sir Ronald Bell, QC, MP for Beaconsfield (Conscrutive) Beaconsfield (Conscrutive)
Sir. The letter from Mrs Joanna
Bogle and others (March 25) expressed the views of normal women
about the Equal Opportunities Commission. The views of normal men
would, I believe, be identical. Being
one who has opposed "unisex"
legislation at every opportunity. I
have taken particular note of the
attitudes to the EOC expressed at
meetings and in letters. They have
been uniformly hostile.

been uniformly hostile.

During the second reading debate on the Sex Discrimination Bill I said that we were making fools of ourselves. We were: most members thought so; and yet we did it. Why? Because members thought that this was progress, the irresis-tible trend of the times and also that opposition to it would be misunderstood—the classic excuse for not doing as one thinks! As one influential lady (who was opposed to the Bill) said to me... "but we can't vote against it, can we?".

A Labour member same and danger place where there was no danger A Labour member said to me in of feminine eavesdroppers: "Of course, you are absolutely right—but I have a lot of women in my constituency!". I doubt whether the proportion of the sexes was abnormal in his constituency, and he constituency and he certainly misconstrued the general opinion of women. But that is how we came to have this unwanted Act, and this foolish and expensive

Act, and this foolish and expensive commission whose absurdities have been universally mocked from its inception, but still continue.

There is no hope of a government Bill to relieve us of this folly, nor of a private member's Bill succeeding. And there is almost certainly some Common Market rule supporting is We live in the sec of the ing it. We live in the age of the pressure group. Mrs Bogle and her friends are, therefore, to be warmly congratulated on forming their own pressure group. It is our only hope of deliverance from subsidized idiocy

have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant. RONALD M. BELL. House of Commons. March 26.

From Lady Trumpington Sir. Mrs Joanna Bogle (March 25) places great omphysis on those aspects of the Equal Opportunities commission's work which involve promoting equality of opportunity for women. Equality also means equality for men, which is more than giving babies bottles.

As United Kingdom delegate **

As United Kingdom delegate to the United Nations' Status of Women Commission I have found the prestige of the EOC a trump card to play at women's meetings abroad. Women in other countries envy our Equal Opportunities Com-mission and in many cases are establishing similar bodies themselves.

Yours faithfully, TRUMPINGTON, House of Lords. March 26.

Sir, Nature created endearing dif ferences between the sexes but mankind made inequities. Surely it is the duty of a democracy to correct inequities and to offer equal opportunities to every free citizen, and surely this is the sam of EOC: to institute social justice and not Mrs Bogle's "cult of unisex", a phrase I cannot for the life of me trace or understand. Yours sincerely.

IRMA KURTZ. 26 Ellingham Road, W12.

Experience of judges From Sir Denis Dobson, QC

From Sir Denis Dobson, QC
Sir, In your leading article yesterday (March 23) on what you describe as an unjustified judicial monopoly you state that "barristers are often appointed to the [High Court] bench with little advocacy experience". From my own experience over 30 years in the Lord Chancellor's Department and as Permadent Secretary from 1968 to 1977 I ran assure you that this is 1977 I can assure you that this is quite untrue.

oute untrue.

I am not aware of anyone having been appointed to the bench during this period, to go back no further, who had not had considerable experience of advocacy in the High Court anise than the state of th Court, quite apart from his other qualifications for appointment, and I am satisfied that there has been no change in this respect since my

retirement.

It would not be appropriate for me to comment on the many other misleading arguments in your leading article. Yours faithfully,

DENIS DOBSON.

50 Egerton Crescent, SW3.

Worse than the disease From Professor Innis Macbeath

Sir, Lord Bowden (March 24) has surely chosen the wrong root for a word to describe the damage done by public policy. The trouble arises from ignorance or optimism about the limitations of vain authority in an imperfectly known world.

For more than four centuries we have had the word "utopian". Anyone who cares to read what St Thomas More actually wrote about syphograunts, the managers and administrators of Utopia, should then look for parallels in, say, textbooks of planning, management and economics.

If we must have neologisms, why not "utopogenic syndrome for the textbook and "St Thomas's dance" for ordinary conversation? True, Lord Bowden may feel he has Milton on his side. Milton had Satan quoting "public interest just honour and empire with revenue enlarged", and continued: "Thus spake the fiend, and with necessity. the tyrant's plea, excus'd his devilish

Yet although this may appear to support Lord Bowden's choice of tyrannogenic", it is unfair to the modern syphograunt, who is more likely to be dogmatically well-intentioned and blind to the consequent evils. Satan knew. Yours faithfully. INNIS MACBEATH. 11 Broadhurst, Ashtead, Surrey, March 24.

David Wood

rom his notoriety,

The sources of political information

ly colleague Fred Emery touched of the secrecy that enwraps much olitical newsgathering in Westinster and at Whitehall and sugested that the public, as well as chorters, would be better served y an open system. His main comlaint was aimed at the Lobby rule in practice it extends to all reportng, not only in Britain) of nonkatributability. That is to say giving folitical information on the undercanding that the source shall not ble stated, according to the vener-

In recent years some members of ic Westminster Lobby have been acreasingly restive under the work-12 of the rule, largely because ninisters have namelessly passed anfidences at Lobby meetings to olitical reporters and then imtediately arranged to say the same ting in person on the next teleision bulletin. Few ministers or hadow ministers can resist either a audience of millions or the opertunity to speak directly for nemselves rather than risk the istortion, real or imagined, of a ewspaper report over which they

lave no control. Sir Francis Boyd of The Guardian cars ago mounted the first camaign within the Lobby to end the on attributable rule and what he aw as the growing supremacy of

roadcasting. Significantly, one or two recent wime ministers have also wanted n occasion to escape from the ule. Both Sir Harald Wilson and ilr Heath, or their advisors, at arious times considered resort to ancaster House press conferences there, before batteries of cameras and microphones, they could make tatements and bat against the whing of questioners from Fleet Street (as they do during election campaigns). Not only the Lobby but other specialist reporters were to

have been present. The motive here, of course, may partly have been to protect prime ministers from the "misrepresenta-tions" of reporting at second hand in somebody clse's words. At the time most members of the Westminster Lobby did not take kindly, to the proposed propaganda by or public accountability of prime ministers; and there was probably some reason to detect in it the risk of circumventing Parliament

and moving towards corporatism. Historically the origin of the Westminster Lobby practice of nonattributability, without an express agreement to use names, is easily understood. Nor long before the turn of the century the first Lobby men were warily allowed into the Members' lobby immediately out-side the Chamber. There were very few of them. They had to obey rules for subfusc dress (top hats com-pulsory); for no notetaking, no un-seemly rapid movement, no sitting down except on two particular small

benches. Above all, they were required to have eyes to see and ears to hear only what was intended for them. They were guests on probation in a gentlemen's club that was not teetotal.

The first generation of Lobbymen reckoned themselves chosen people, and were as keen to guard their rules as MPs were to enforce them. By their biddability as well as their reporting skills, they became the acceptable face of Fleet Street at Westminster. Today the Lobby is not platoon but company strength, Lobby meetings are mass rallies, with all provincial and evening papers, as well as television, radio and weekly journals, abundantly represented. Because of its size, he would be a rash minister or Opposition front bencher who entrusted confidences involving his political future to it, and on the whole they do not. Nor do White-

hall spokesmen. Yet we are not speaking only of the Lobby rules, some self-imposed and others imposed from outside. Nor are we speaking only of the Official Secrets Acts and their awesome sway. We also have to take account-ministers and their spokesmen do-of the rules that Parliament is always jealously entitled to be told first. If there is a question on the order paper, for instance, on the order paper, for instance, strictly a minister and his entourage are inhibited by the rule from even hinting at the answer, although they often do. Nevertheless, Times men at Westminster more than once have had breaches of parliamentary because they had anticipated a Commons answer; and to Lobby-men threats of privilege are nearly as bad as threats of divorce.

Similarly, The Times once printed an announcement to be made in the Commons by a minister on the day following a decision by the Cabinet committee. We compounded the offence by adding a map. The mini-ster flatly refused to make his statement for three further weeks, partly out of pique, partly because he was a stickler for Commons procedure and ministerial good manners. The paper's informant rang in code asking that I should never breathe his name.

It is fairly easy to make the House of Commons and the Lobby look silly or pompous by illustrating some consequences of their rules and practices. Yet in the end, as usual, there is a commonsense balance to be struck. The right of Parliament to be told first for example, has the virtue that it means the ministerial executive may immediately confronted by a challenge from the Opposition front bench and backbenchers. Corporatisa statements on television, with questions by broadcasters who never quite know whether they are in the business of entertainment or poli-tical information, would be no satisfactory substitute, although nothing need prevent the television show in due course.

Equally, there must still be less room for the survival of the "no names, no packdrill " reporting rule, even though much more could be brought into the open than now. Faceless and nameless "Deep Throats" still have their uses in newseathering if reporters keep an guard against having the news managed for them.

Ironically, some political informants anxiously ask to be named in the story as a device to clear themselves of suspicion and join the ranks of those outrageously wronged. "Open" politics are not necessarily more above board or

effects and on which to

realistic measures of radiation protection. as good estimates to be contradicted only on the basis of convincing new evidence.

distances from the point of explo-sion, but it is here that protective measures can be particularly effective. In fact, even towards the edges be saved by use of quite modest shelters, although towards the target centre large numbers of casualties would be inevitable. It is in these areas of the country away from target zones which would be undamaged but nevertheless affected by fallow that a large processes. by fallout that a large percentage of the population unaffected by the would be saved by quite simple

measures and precautions. help such survivors and all govern-ments since the end of World War Two have adopted this policy. This means not only advising on the provision of the physical means of structure exists so that the number able to begin the tasks of rejuvenation immediately because of radioactive contamination, but since radioactivity decays with time the

correct planning is carried out. world in which we live. We remain, yours faithfully,

W. F. R. POVER, JOHN M. REID. DENNIS F. SHAW, F. W. SPIERS, ALAN A. WILSON. A. W. WOLFENDALE, 6 Spean Drive, Aspley Hall, Nottingham.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March 29: Mr Alan Cowdrey had the honour of being received by The Queen at Windsor Castle this morning when Her Majesty decor-ated him with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver).

The Prince of Wales left Heathrow Airport, London, this after-noon to visit New Zealand, Aus-tralia, Venezuela and the United States of America. The Hon Edward Adeane, Mr Francis Cornish and Mr Warwick Hutchings are in attendance.

Birthdays today

Sir Robert Armstrong, 55; Professor Sir Ernst Gombrich, 72; Sir. Andrew McCance, 92; Sir Derek Rayner, 55; Sir Peter Scarlett, 76.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C. N. Macready
and Miss L. McAdam
The edgagement is announced between Charles Nevil. son of Sir
Nevil and Lady Macready, of Pirbright, Surrey, and Lorraine,
daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian
McAdam, of Consalt's Quay, Deeside Clayd.

Mr P. M. Blest and Miss J. P. Cook The engagement is announced be-tween Peter Melville, cider son of Mr and Mrs J. F. M. Blest, of Wateringbury, Kent, and Janet Pricilla, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T. A. Cook, of Hold, Sussex.

Mr G. Giles and Miss I. Bruce-Lockhart The engagement is announced be-tween Gordon, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. W. Giles, of Uckfield, Sussex, and Tanya, only daughter of the late Wing Com-mander Guy Bruce-Lockhart, D5O, DFC, and Mrs John Mor-land, of Dorking, Surrey.

Pir A. Lieven
and Mrs J. M. E. Watson
The marriage has beed arranged
and will take place in July, between Alexander Lieven, of 19
Ossington Street. W2, and
Jranna Watson nice Rendle) of
39 Adair House, Oakley Street,
5W3. Mr A. Lieven

Mr R. L. Lucy and Miss N. J. Weeks the engagement is announced between Richard Laurence, younger son of Mr and Mrs D. H. Liley, of Berkhamsted, Hertford-shire, and Margaret Layla, stire, and Margaret Leyla, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Waeks, of Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

Dr R. J. MacInges and Miss B. M. Stocking The engagement is appromised between John, son of Dr and Mrs R. I. Maclines, of Majdenbead, Ferkshire, and Earbara, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Stocking, of Rugby, Warwickshire,

Latest wills

Latest estates include (net. before Cousins, Mr Cyril Alfred, of Cwmbran, Gwent . . . E248,041 Cwmbran, Gwent ... E248,041 Cussins, Mr Eric, of York £181,667

Wales. That fact, recorded in the minutes of the committee, is the only visible clue to a bizarra attempt by the union to steer the committee away. From ruling against factory farming in its next published report.

published report.

The affair began in January when the NFU and two other taxmer's unions gave evidence at a public hearing of the select committee. The unions were con-

cerned that the committee was only at half strength. That was because some had just been given front-heach posts and successors

front-heach posts and successors had not been appointed.

The utions were alarmed by an intervention by Sir William when Mrs Fiona Dairymple, convener of the pigs committee of the Scottish NFU, was explaining that she did not helieve shoppers would be willing to pay extra for meat and eggs.

that were quaranteed not to have been produced by intensive methods.

Ser William Island forward and told Mrs Dalrympic that committee members had visited a real form in Normandy. "It may

goint of being a Christian. It is no mere coincidence of among "them" the great major-Mr C. J. Ordish and Miss P. M. New The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of the late Dr Brian Ordish and of Mrs E. Blaxland, of Dover, Kent, and Patricia, elder daugher of Mr and Mrs S. W. New, of Sander-stead, Surrey The Duke of Edinburgh, as senior fellow, attends Fellowship of

tianity, sometimes called

fundamentalist" by those out

Those within that world pre-fer "conservative evangelical" or just "evangelical" as a

public label, though in their

it. And evangelicals are not

very interested in churches, nor

n ecumenism, not in theology,

as if those who were interested in such things had missed the

of sympathy with it.

stead, Surrey, Marriages

Mr J. N. Browne
and Miss A. E. Mitchell
The marriage took place on
Saturday at Camden Register
Office between Mr Nicholas.
Browne, only son of the late Mr
I. C. Browns and Mrs Browne. of
Rochampton, SW13, and Miss
Angelics Mitchell, only daughter
of the late Sir George Mitchell,
QC, and of Lady Mitchell, of
Rochampton.
A reception was held at Gray's

A reception was held at Gray's Inn Hell and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J. V. Ellwood and Miss B. M. Trotter The marriage took place in Friday. March 27, between Mc John Ellwood, son of the late Captain Victor Ellwood and Mrs Ellwood, and Miss Bridget Trotter, only doughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel George Trotter and Lady Maryoth Hay.

Mr P. D. Harris Mr P. D. Harris
and Miss A. E. Anwyl-Davies
The marriage took place on Saturday, March 28, at 5t Mary the
Boltons between Mr Peter Harris,
son of the late Kenneth Harris
and of Mrs Harris, and Miss Ame
Elizabeth Anwyl-Davies, daughter
of the lata Dr Thomas Anwyl-Davies
and of Mrs Anwyl-Davies.
The bride was given in marriage
by Judge Marcus Anwyl-Davies and
Mr Alastair Barington was best
man.

and Miss S. Butter
The marriage took place in London on March 27, between Mr
Anthony Simmonds, of 71 Cromwell Avenue, Highgate, and Miss
Scitta Butler, of White Noticy
Hall, near Witham, Essex,

O'Neill, Mr Thomas Malcomson, of O'Neill, m. Canterbury Phillips, Mr Phillip Glym, of Aber-5542,017 gavenny 2542,017 Sword. Mr Henry Everitt, of Ravensden. Bedfordshire 1482,010 Watson. bilss Constance Amelia, of Sidmouth 2470,250 Wood, Mr John Stanley, of South-

MP accused of bias on factory methods

Hugh Clayton

A charge of bies against Sir William Elliott, chairman of the Commons select committee on agriculture, has been made at a meeting of a committee of the National Farmers' Union of England and Hugh Clayton

Hugh Clayton

The minutes of the separate points steering committee recorded that "concern was expressed regarding the obvious bias of the committee chairman". Leaders of the union, who are

interest you to know that I will

never touch real again until these conditions are changed ", he said.

The farmers' unions were even more alarmed a week later when the Farm Animal Welfare Coordinating Executive, an umbrella organization of welfare bodies which oppose factory farming, was also a particular program welfare.

which oppose factory farming, was given a particularly warm welcome by the select committee.

Sir William concluded the public hearing with the executive by saying: "You have been, if I may say so, excellent witnesses. Our inquiry will benefit, I am sure, from what you have told us. I thank you very warmly for being with us this morning."

The minutes of the poultry committee of the NFU of England and Wales show that members were told soon after the hearings at Westminster that "it appeared that certain MPs appeared to have prejudices against Intensive live-

Evangelical regrouping marks a new critical approach

names that their primary interity of those who also think est is evangelism: the spread-themselves Christian. Religious Affairs Correspondent
Six evangelical societies, of which the Church Society and the Evangelical Alliance are the most prominent, have moved together into new premises near the Oval in south London, and the six societies sharing the new offices are engaged in overseas missioners activity and the

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missionary activity, and the other two would regard thema move they celebrated with a joint service last Wednesday in the local parish church. selves as engaged in "home-It brings under one roof for mission ". the first time a number of Given a choice between the bodies which to varying expursuit of social justice, or pertents represent the puritan, evangelical and biblical ingredient in contemporary Christian sonal holiness, or the recruit-

ment of others, evangelicals would undoubtedly choose the third, for what a man believes is, for them, the key to his salvation. The Bible-believing Christian,

a man saved by faith alone, can be confident of his justification own company call themselves in the sight of God: English just "Christian". This is a slightly exclusive use, as if there was only one kind of real Christian and they were the sight of God: English on the sight of God: English o It is a product of that simple emphasis that evangelicals seem to seek their own company, almost to the point of consuructing a slightly unreal world of "us" and "them", including

Today's engagements

Square, o.
The Duchess of Gloucester attends
annual luncheon of Women's
Cancer Control Campaign,
Grosvenor House Hotel, 12.15.

Latest appointments.

Mr Richard Creasey, head of documentaries for ATV, to be Controller of Features and Channel Four Offers, and Mr Brian Lewis, film production executive, to be Controller of Documentary Programmes, based in Birmingham.

Leaders of the union, who are under strong pressure from rural members to be more forthright in countering attacks on factory farming, decided that the select committee was heading in a dangerous direction.

Mr Alau Jackson, deputy president of the NFU of England and Wales, explained the anion's worries: "I think the problem was about his comments about

real. We were very upset about that. We expect the chairman to be impartial.

"The poultry committee thought that the members of the select committee might not have studied in full the evidence that

studied in fall the evidence that we had submitted at a very early stage. There was a very small turaout and that again upset our people. We were very apset by the comments at the following week's hearing with FAWCE."

Sie William who is bimedian

In the past they have been style is a strong sense of confibitter opponents of the Roman Catholic Church and of Roman doctrines in other churches, and there are still echoes of that notion of the papary as anti-Christ even among the present moderate and kindly generation of lead-

The evangelical sub-culture disregards denominational boundaries in much the way colonial map-drawing in Africa is said to cut across tribal boundaries. There are evangelicals in all the mainstream non-Catholic churches, though by no means all of them feel a particular

siastical usage of their own.

The most distinctive public manifestation of the evangelical dence and rightness, and an imparience with mystery and doubt. Though in the past some doubt. Though in the past some have somehow managed to be both, to be "biblical" is usually the opposite end of the religious spectrum from being "mystical" Evangelicals neither speculate nor meditate, as a rule: they pronounce, and maise the Lord.

pronounce, and praise the Lord. Numerically they are not an overwhelming force in any church, nor is their influence very often decisive. They are, undoubtedly, enjoying a period of greater strength, though there is reason for thinking this is self-limiting.

rather than of commitment, of non-evangelical ideas. But the And there has, in the past, been risk was far greater 20 years a tendency for some to drift to- ago: there have been signs of wards the centre, to become less a struggle to outgrow some of "conservative" and more the more obviously blinkered "liberal". (These terms do not thinking, in more recent years, correspond to political labels, while that has produced movement, it has also produced ginstical many of their own.

without remarkable histories sold much in line with expectation. A Queen Anne, walnut, double-dome, bureau bookcase, a type of piece that has long been popular in America and Europe, made \$15,000 (estimate \$10,000 to \$15,000), or \$5,521.

The sale underlined some spreading excess remarks in the Figure 1.

rising recent trends in the English furniture market. Those are unusually high prices for mirrors and pedestal dining tables is three-pedestal mahogany dining table made \$25,000, against an estimate of \$3,500 to \$5,000), the large extension collectors will never

large premium collectors will pay for documenced history, and the

for ordinary eighteenth-century furniture and the best examples. At the bottom end of the market, prices have fallen. The sale totalled \$475,773, with 8 per cent unsold:

lasted until January 6. There was

only a moderate reduction in the

greatest among the elderly, although newborn babies showed

a relatively steep rise in the death rate. Commenting on these figures, the thief medical statistician of the General Register Office points out that the sudden and serious rise

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intellectual approach, with a willingness to examine prob-lems before turning up a text. has drawn evangelicals towards the centre ground and away from the over-simplification represented by the word "fundamentalism", a tendency

opposed by evangelical purists.
What is still conspicuously lacking is any serious outreach, a familiar evangelical word, towards the great bulk of those of the Christian persua-sion who are not of this family. Evangelical literature often seems to be speaking of a world in which there are only evangelicals in an unbelieving world lost in its sins.

in the Church of England to one building is that it could fitted into a black-and-white evangelicalism can be no more enhance the inwardness of world, and so tend to organized evangelical life. Non-evangelical Christians, interdenominational National Initiative in Evangelism has recently thrown people together who would never normally meet. The impact has been dramatic enough to divide the ranks of the Evangelical Alliance into pro and anti NIE fac-

Dinner

Lady Mayoress of Westmoster
The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress of Westminster gave a
dinner at City Hall on Saturday: Among those present were:
The Agent-Goneral for New South
Wales and Mrs Reushaw, the Chairman of the GLC and Mrs BrookPartridge, Wing Commander and Mrs
W. Keerney, Mr and Mrs Sidney CoronMr and Mrs Louis Herman, Mr and
Mrs Alag Smith and Miss C. Halliday.

Service dinners.

The Royal Hampshire Regiment.
The annual dinner of The Royal
Hampshire Regiment Territorial
Officers' Dinner Club was held at
regimental headquarters. Serie's
House, Winchester, on Saturday.
Brigadier C. G. T. Viner presided.

3rd Divisional Signals 3rd Divisional Signals
A reunion dinner of the 3rd Divisional Signals Reunion Club was
held at the Victory Services Club
on Saturday. Major-General A. C.
Birtwistle, Signal Officer in Chief,
was the guest of bonour. Britadier C. G. Moore presided. Licutenant-Colonel R. Maynard, Commander, 3rd Armoured Divisional
Signals, was among those present.

224 Field Ambulance, RAMC
224 Field Ambulance (NS). RAMC, held a dinner at Cobridge Barracks on Saturday. Lieutenant-Colonel
K. B. S. Sethi, commanding officer, presided and Colonel Ken Cowan was the principal guest.

RAF 38 Group Association RAF 38 Group Association held its annual reunion at RAP Lyne-ham on Saturday by permission ham on Saturday by permission of Group Captain J. Hardstaff, station commander. Sir Arthur Norman, president, welcomed the guests and Air Vice-Marshal D. P. Hall, Air Officer Commanding 38 Group, was the guest of honour.

Memorial service Sir Norman Stronge and Mr J. Stronge

American posters, prints and drawings in two sessions on Friday and Saturday. They were as popular as ever, with a total of £252,923 and 4 per cent unsold. A · memorial · service for Sir Norman Stronge and Mr James Stronge was held in St Anne's Stronge was held in St Anne's
Cathedral, Belfast, on Saturday.
The Dean of Belfast, the Very
Rev Samuel Crooks, officiated,
assisted by the Rev S. Callaghan,
President of the Methodist Church
in Ireland, who led the prayers,
and the Bishop of Connor, who
pronounced the blessing. The
Rev R. Craig read the lesson and
the Most Rev George Simms gave
an address. Lord Glentorau, Lord
Liemenant of Belfast, the Lord Deaths by fog
From Our Medical Correspondent
The fog in January this year was probably responsible for 1,000 Liemenant of Belfast, the Lord Mayor of Belfast and the Secre-tary of State for Northern Ire-land and Mrs Humphrey Arkins according to figures published in the current issue of the British Medical Journal. The average land and Mrs Humphrey Arkins attended. Others present included: attended. Others present included:
Mrs Thomas Kingan, Mrs Charles
Olivier; Lord Lowry, Lord Chief Justice
of Northern Freland, Lord Justice
of Northern Freland, Lord Justice
Songal Lord Justice Chiston, Mr Kerberi
Kirk, Mr Basil Mctwon, Lecutasan,
Ceneral Sir Richard Lawrence
Northern Ireland, General Sir Charles
Jones president, Royal British
Legion; Dr John Remmon, Chief
Constable of the Royal Ulster
Constable of the Royal Ulster
Constabler, Mr John Bigge-Davison,
Mp (United Kingdom branch, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association), Mr
Gerard Firt, MP. Mr John McQuade,
MP. number of deaths recorded daily began to rise abruptly within a short time of the appearance of the fog on January 3 to 4. It temperature at the time so that cold cannot be blamed for the increase and there was no epidemic of infinence. The increased mortality was mainly attributed to bronchitis and was numerically research among the aldeder

MF Berold McCasker, MP, Mr James
Molymeaux, MP, the Very Rev John
Crooks i sopresenting the Archibishop
of Armagh and the Prinze of All
breands, Prebendary William Mechar
(representing the Bishop of Down and
Oromore), Major Alister Boyne, Judga
Rowland, Miss B. Macomethic Miss
Shelia Marsaghan, Mr Roy Radford,
Mr Walber Scott, Mr Austin Ardill. Me
Robert Eabinston, Mr Tommy Boyd,
Mr Robert Eabinston, Mr Tommy Boyd,
Mr Robert Batchburn, Mr Prof Burns
and Mr Toomas Douglas,

Deputy lieutenants

The following have been appointed deputy Heulenants of Humberside: Lord Hotham, Mr J. R. Chichester-Constable, Dr J. H. D. Millar, Colonel J. H. Earnshaw, and Mr Norman Jackson.

George I mirrors sold in New York for £60,869

By Geraldine Norman

fellow, attends rellowship of Engineering new fellows dimer, Apothecaries Hall, Blackfriars Lane, 7.30.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother attends Royal Film Performance, Odeon Theatre, Leicester Square, 8. bought by a New York private collector. It was designed by Robert Adam and made by William France and John Bradburn. It had cost Sir Laurence 13 guiness.

A similar late eighteenth-century table, made to an Adam. Sale Room Correspondent Prices for fine English furniture went through the roof at a Chris-tie's auction in New York on Saturday. Almost all the buyers were American.

were American.

The highest price came as a total surprise to the auctioneers. A pair of finely carved, George I siltwood mirrors, with eagles' heads and shell motifs, sold for \$104,000, or \$60,869, to an unnamed New Yorker. Christie's had estimated their value at about \$20,000 to \$28,000.

There have been some remarkable prices recently for the best English glitwood mirrors but they all had a history attached; the designer and the house for which they were made were known; It is likely that in this case the purchaser and the underbidder may have uncarthed that information bave uncarthed that information sithough it had escaped the suction cataloguer. That would help to explain the very high price.

Cancer Control Campaign,
Grosvenor House Hotel, 12.15.
The Duke of Kent, as Colonel-inChief, visits 1st Battalion,
Devoushire and Dorset Regiment, Thetford, Norfolk, 11.
Talks: On music to be played by
English Chamber Orthestra, by
Roger North, Waterloo Room,
Royal Festival Hall, S.55: Lent
lectores, 4: "The setting and
performance of liturgy", by
the Rev Patrick Tuft, Ston-College, Victoria Embankment, 3;
Turner's early landscapes", by
Monica Seymour, Tate Gallery,
1; "Writing on clay", by
Domlmque Collon, British Museum, 11.30; "Ikons" "Romanric versus Classic Art, No 7,
Gericault", National Gallery, 1.
Exhibitions: Paintings of the Dordogne, by Pameia Blake, Hamiltons Gallery, 13 Carlos Place,
Grosvenor Square, 9.30 to 5.30.
Works by Edward Toledano, Talent
Store, 11 Eccleston Street, West-A George I, giltwood pier A George I, giltwood pier mirror, in the maoner of John Belchier, provided another, although more modest, surprise. It sold for \$22,000 (estimate \$8,000 to \$12,000), or £12,173, also to an unnamed New Yorker. A label on the back hears the pencil inscription, "Morning room, Pall Mail", an address that is perhaps traceable. Works by Edward Toledano, Talent Store, 11 Eccleston Street, Westminster, 9.30 to 5.30; "Caech Chic" prints and drawings, by Julia Griffiths, S. Dryden Street, Covent Garden, 10 to 6.
Lunchtime music; Tessa Uys, plano, St Lawrence Jewry, 1; Jonathan Rennert, organ, St Michael's, Cornhill, 1; John Scott, organ, Southwark Cathedral, 1.10.
Chairman of the GLC is bost at

The design of the 80in mirror is close to one supplied by John Reicher for the state bedroom at Erthig, in North Wales, in 1725. Chairman of the GLC is bost at reception for delegates to con-ference on human values, County Hall, 6: attends concert, Festi-val Hall, 8: The importance attached to the history of furniture was underlined by other hish prices in the sale. An elaborate George III cast and gilt gesso console table, made for the Arlington Street home of Sir Laurence Dundas, sold for 570,000 (estimate \$30,000 to \$40,000) or £30,434, and was Latest appointments include: Professor Kenneth Rawnsley, of the Welsh National School of Medicine, to be president of the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

London

25 years ago Lord Mayor of From The Times of Thursday, March 29 1956

The following are some of the Lord Mayor's engagements this week: Today: Attends freedom of the City ceremonies for Lieutenant-General Sir David Willison, Chief Royal Engineer, and Major-General G. B. Sinclair, deaths in the Greater London area gineer-in-Chief, Army, Guild-

hall, 12.30. Tomorrow: Receives Prime Mini-ater of Peru, Mansion House,

Wednesday: Presides at Special Court of Lieutenaucy, Mansion House, 11. Thursday: Receives Moor Lane Fire Station officers, Mansion House, 5.30.

Friday: Attends opening of British Small Animal Vererinary Association Congress, Cunard International Hotel, Hammersmith, 10.

Premium Bond winners Winning numbers in the weekly draw for £100,000, £50,000 and £25,000 Premium Savings Bond prizes, aunounced on Saturday,

15RZ 031564 £100,000 : No (winner comes from Norfolk); £50,000: 18VT 205061 (Bourne-mouth); £25,000: 6ML 619541 (Sunderland).

Parliamentary diary

that the sudden and serious rise in death rates in a fog period has become a frequent and alarming phenomenon only in recent years. The fog in December, 1952 caused 4,000 deaths in the London area, and the further 1,000 deaths this year "are a stern reminder that this major public health problem has not yet been solved." Mar 25: Statement about European Council stocking. Albed Irish Banks Bill read a second time. Dobales on appreciative and on policy of some local authorities on closed shops. Marriage (Landing) Bill completed the committee stage. House adjourned, 11.05 planting Bills Compensation (Northern French Order, Public Urder (Northern Ireland) Order, Supplement (Northern Ireland) Order, Supplement (Northern Ireland) Order (Northern Ireland) Order (Northern Ireland) Order all agreed to Supreme Court this passed the report stage and the buterpretation of Legislation Bill completed the committee stage, Debate on report of European Communities of the European Communities of the European Communities of the European Committee to the London Tiples and Freedoms. House adjourned, 9.30 pm.

Wednesday: Education. Science and Aris. Subject: Public and Private Funding of the aris. Wilmessors: Royal Academy of Aris (10 am): Associations for Business Scomoorship of the Aris (11 am). Roome 6. Subject: The Mina-Foreign Alfairs. Mr. Albert McQuarrie, MP. Nichard Mr. Michael Latham, MP. the British Gibraitar Parliamentary Group. Room 15, 10,30 am. Scottah Alfairs. Subject: Youth unemployment in Scotland. Witnesses:
Association of Directors of Education
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control by Heatth Departments. Witnesses: Str Patrick Natrue. Permanent
Socretary, OHSS. Mr A. L. Rennit,
Secretary, Scottish Home and Heatth
Department, Mr T. P. Hughes, Permarent Socretary, Weish Office. Room
25. 4 pm. And American American

S. 4.18 pm. Subject: Transportation in London, Wilnesses: Representatives of the Department of Transport. Room 1.7. 4.13 pm. 180ciel Services. Subject: Medical Education, Wilnesses: Faculty of Anasshettats. Royal College of Radiofoliats. Royal College of Physicians (Genamicians, College of Physicians (Genamicians). Faculty of Community Medicine. Royal College of Psychologists Paculty of Community Medicine. Royal College of Psychologists (Parmed Forces Sill. Wilnesses: Officials of the Ministry of Defence. Room 5, 3.15 pm.

House of Lords
Today at 2.30: Widdle and Countrylide fill, third reading,
Tomorrow at 2.30: Water fill, report,
Filteries Hill, second reading Debate
mently aftercore,
Woonseday at 2.30: Debate on consulfative document on trafe union
immunities, Debate on third London
apport.

Select committees

A secondary science and Technology subcommittee I ischance and Governmenti. Evidence from Sir Harmann Romil and Sir Peter Cary of the Department of Industry and Iron Dr. Duncan Davies, chief scientist. 5.15 urdey European communities sub-mentitre F (Energy, Transport, Tech-ogy and Research; Evidence from C. Laytos of the Ect; Commission new Information technologies. 11

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Science and Technology
militer if Hazardous Waster
from Association of County
(5 pm) and South Yorkshire
(4 pm)

MR BERNARD HOLLOWOOD Former editor of 'Punch' Bernard Hollowood, editor of terrors for his staff, kept the Punch from 1957 to 1968, office lively. He believed the economics journalist and pocket a humorous paper had a duranteen of the staff, kept the punch from 1957 to 1968. public affairs; he introduce

cartoonist, died on March 28 at the age of 70.

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the age of 70.

A. Bernard Hollowood was born in Burslem on June 3. 1910, the son of Albert and Sarah Elizabeth Hollowood. Educated at Hanley High School: St Paul's College, Cheltenham; and the London School of Economics, Hollowood School of Economics, Hollowood trained as a teacher and for most of the 1930s taught at Loughborough College. He did research in Economic Geography, with a local focus, He was very much a Porteries man and very proud of his honorary MA from Keele University.

After a great variety of industrial and economic journalism, he joined the staff of The Economist, became research officer of the Council of Industrial Design and edited Pottery and Glass. In 1942 he began to write and draw for Punch, being appointed to the Punch Table in 1945. He was prolific with in 1945. He was prolific with topical ideas; but his astonishing output tended to mask the ing nurphi tended to his best maginative quality of his best work. He was the first to deride the amateurishness of his draughtsmanship.

Hollowood succeeded Malcolm Muggeridge as editor of Punch and set a style of editorship that differed markedly from that of his iconoclastic predecossor. As editor he increased circulation at a time of general contraction. His versatility and drive, if not without their

into the magazine serior articles and leaders on politic and financial affairs, as well; on other matters of gener public concern. He was a well-read and well rounded man of wide interes who could and did write on variety of subjects both i

Funch and elsewhere. He was, dedicated editor meticulous i such matters as punctuation, by to suggest that he was a ma whose character and outloo lacked a leavening of humon would of course be quite untru as those who enjoyed the draings and cartoons he contrib ted over the years not only Punch but also to other publ cations will bear witness. F. will be particularly remer bered by readers of The Time for the pocket cartoon he dre regularly for the Busine Diary, which gave proof of but his informed interest in current affairs and his witty graph line.

Bernard Hollowood was tall, heavily built man with distinguished profile. He wi warm, friendly, light hearte ... and kind. His many interest included cricket. He had playe for Staffordshire and loved vi-lage cricket. His home lij meant a great deal to him. He married in 1938, Marjor Duncan, daughter of Dr W, 7.
Lawrie. She survives him wit two daughters and a son.

MR HERBERT SCHEELE

Mr Herbert Scheele, OBE, who refereed the All England badminton championships from 1946 to 1980, died after a long illness in a London hospital yesterday, aged 76, as the finals of this year's event were getting under way at Wembley. As sec-retary of the International Badminton Federation for some 44 years, he was the best known and most respected badminton official in the world, a figure as familiar in Denmark, Indo-nesia, Japan and Malaysia as in his own country. He was the game's supreme authority on the laws, and its leading historian. Scheele was perhaps the outstanding example of the numerous English sporting officials who in the past three or four decades have been the or four decades have been the guiding force behind a partic-ular game's expansion around the globe.

Herbert August Edward Scheele was born at Bromley, Kent, and educated at Mont-pelier Academy, Montclair, New Jersey, and then at Dul-New Jersey, and then at Dulwich College. At first lawn
tennis was his first choice in
sport, and he also played cricker
and hockey at good club level
in the Bromley area for many
years. He was in his midtwenties when he first became
involved regularly in badminton. As a player he remained
particularly effective in mixed
doubles, and competed in many
all-England championships at all-England championships at the Old Horticultural Hall, London, before the war, and in 1946-47 and 1947-48.

From the start, though, Scheele's main forte proved to be badminton administration. From 1935 until 1962 he held various offices in the Kent various offices in the kent county association, and remained active at this level long after he had become the game's leading official world-wide. First elected to the English national council in 1936, he took on the secretaryship of the International Badminton Federation in 1938, and from 1945 until 1970 he held the same job for the Badminton Association of England as well. He was also editor of the game's magazine, Badminton Gazette. this period, and also was charge of badminton's intenational magazine.

It was after the war th. Scheele was seen at his author tative best on five continen taive pest on the continen as bedwinton developed into major sport. No event was be' of any importance without hi being the tournament refere At 6ft 4in with a long, flowin mane of hair that became it creasingly white as the year progressed, he was a dominate personality as he ruled continued. personality as he ruled con petitions in all parts of th world with a passionate dedication to ensuring that the right and correct course was fo lowed. He was seldom see without a cigarette hangin from the side of his mouth, an back trouble forced him to us a stick to walk with in late

The sight of Scheele limpin on to court to rule on a disput brought both help and consol-tion to umpire and player. The one knew that the la-would be adjudicated strictly the other was aware that justic would be done. His braves arguably, and most famous de cision was to abandon at Indonesia v Malaysia Thomacup tie in front of a hostil lakarta crowd who refused to keep quiet and were on the point of rioting as their team struggled. It was a tribute to Scheele that he officiated of later occasions in Indonesia and was always warmly wel comed by that country's volatile spectators.

Ill health and the passing o the years had forced Scheek to give up his administrative responsibilities one by one ir the past three years, but he remained as a coopted and valued member on most com mittees, nationally and inter-nationally. In his spare time in the summer his great love was to watch county cricket, particularly Kent. He was a prominent cricket historian and researcher and worked to full effect for the Association of Cricket Statisticians,

Scheele is survived by his wife Betty. They were married in 1946. There were no

SIR LESLIE FORD

in service to the port industry.

He was General Manager of the Port of London Authority from 1948 to 1964.

He joined the Great Western Failure Command in 1912.

Railway Company in 1912. After a wartime interruption during which he celebrated his 18th, 19th and 20th birthdays in the trenches he rose steadily through various posts in South Wales works until in 1914 he Wales ports until in 1944 hc became Chief Docks Manager and so, like his father before him, a principal officer of the

company.
The vital strategic importance of the South Wales ports in our maritime links with the United States and other sources of essential wartime supplies cast heavy burdens on port manage-ment at all levels and his appointment as OBE was a due recognition of Ford's outstanding personal contribution to the war effort. He was very much a Great Western man and his temperament and qualities knitted readily into the special style and standards of that remarkable institution.

His greatest pleasure immediately after the war, when he could find time from the very substantial responsibilities of repairing wartime damage to the South Wales ports, was to oversee the design and building of the two vessels—the St David and the St Patrick—ordered by the Great Western Company to replace wartime sinkings. These ships, intended primarily for the South Wales-Ireland route, owed much in design and

search for perfection.
In 1948 be was invited to

Ryurik Isnev (the pseudonym of M. A. Kovalev), the Russian poet, novelist, and memoirist, has died in Moscow at the age of 90. The last surviving memher of the Russian Imaginist movement, which he helped found in 1919, Ivney knew most of the leading Russian poets of this century, including Blok, Esenin, Mayakovsky and Mandelstam,

Sir Leslie Ford, OBE, who succeed another Welshman, died at March 22 at the age of Theo Williams. as General 83, second most of his active life Manager of the Port of London

There, under Lord Waverley and Lord Simon, he had to man-age a major world port amid the conflicting currents of post-war reconstruction, technological changes in maritime transport and a consistently delicate labour situation. One of his least agrecable

tasks was to separate the Port from its traditional setting as part of the London scene and begin the long and, probably-still unfinished shift of activity further and further down the Thames. Despite these obligations and the extra work associated with the Rochdale Inquiry into the British port in dustry and its subsequent report be found time to act as the Authority's ambassador. Even today, over 15 years after his retirement, he is still remembered with admiration and affection in many parts of the United States, Australasia. Iapan and South East Asia as well as Western Europe. Later this year the International Association of Ports and Harbours planned to present him with their silver medal as a mark of particular appreciation of his service to the international port industry.

In public life, his loyalty to those he served—below as well as above him in rank—was a matched this with a patent and profound profound affection for

family. He was indeed fortunate not appointment to his unceasing give but to have found people search for perfection and institutions so worthy of the giving.

Lady Cooke, widow of Sir Douglas Cooke, FRCS, died on March 19 in London. She was Elsie Muriel, daughter of Major-General James Burston, of Melbourne, Australia, and she was married in 1907.

Mr Dimitri Zhukov, Russian Ambassador to Brazil, died in Brasilia on March 24. He was . 71.

· Science report

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Evolution: Alternative genetic code

From Clive Cookson of The Times Higher Education Supplement Vashington

An extremely simple self-replicating chemical-system could have been the first precursor of living cells, according to a new theory about the origin of life, proposed er an American Chemust.

Dr David White, of the Univer-sur of Santa Clara, says his sys-tem, which he cally an "autocen. Is the first important self-replication theory to be pro-posed for a decade. Its most notable feature is chemical simplinotable teature is chemical simpli-city, though that does not make it particularly simple to explain to a neg-chemist. The system, descri-bed in the Journal of Molecular Evolution, consists of two simple reptide molecules (short chains of less than 10 amino acids) and two than 10 amino acids) and two simple polynucleonides (equally signet sequences of nucleic acids). The peptides serve as proto-rives and code for two peptides. The peptides serve as promype enzymes; one catalyses the replienzymes; one catalyses the repli-cation of the genes and the other catalyses the "translation" of the genes into both peptides. The amogen is therefore analogous to the far more complex genetic sys-tem of living organisms today, in which very large polynucleoides— DNA and RNA—code for polypep-

tide enrymes.

However, unlike the extremely specific, highly accurate processes of the modern cell, the early sys-However, unlike the extremely specific, highly accurate processes of the modern ceil, the early system of living organisms today, it can do not supply ". It can work if the translation from gene to

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enzyme, chemically the least certain step, is no more than 10 per cent accurate. Even the replication of the genes could be wrong one time in ten.

According to the theory, the autogen originated more than four thousand million years ago in the famous "primordial soup" in which small organic molecules, including short peptide and polynucleotide chains, were being formed at random. Over the past 30 years many scientists have discharged at random. Over the past so years many scientists have discharged electricity through simple gas mixture, imitating lightning in the Earth's early atmosphere, and identified amino acids and, less often, nucleotides among the products.

products. These polynucleonde and pep-tide molecules were brought together, for example, on a clay or mineral surface. There the nucleotides began to influence the forma-tion of peptides from amino acids; a specific sequence of acids tended to form slightly more frequently next to a certain nucleotide sequence. In Dr White's theory, this was the first step towards translation of a genetic code.

At the same time some of the reptides started to act as proto-enzymes, catalyzing (speeding up) the translation and replication of the nucleotides. If one nucleotide coded for a translation proto-enzyme and another for a replication caryine, these four simple compounds would have formed a

would reproduce very quickly by a self-reinforcing cycle and would soon dominate its chemical environment. Its emergence would make the transition from chemical to biological (Darwinian) evolu-tion, since the genetic processes of transduction, and mutation would reproduction and mutation would now be taking place. Natural selecnow be taking place. Natural selec-tion between variants of the system could lead rapidly to longer mol-ecules, acting as more efficient enzymes and genes.

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Dr White and his colleagues have not got experimental evidence of all the processes required by the autogen. But they have shown that one extremely simple peptide, his-ideal indicates. tidy! histidine. consisting of just two amino acid units, catalyzes the polymerization of another amino acid, glycine, on a clay surface. Or White suggests that histodyl-histi-dine provides a model of a primi-

the protocetyme.

Unlike previous theories on the origin of life, the autogen should be capable of direct experimental rerification. If scientists can find the right conditions, the system should emerge spontaneously and antifly-within a few smaller in rapidly-within a few weeks-in rapidly—within a few weeks—in the laboratory.

"Such a laboratory experiment would demonstrate the most fundamental step in the process of the cripin of a living cell." Dr White said, "and would produce a system which might continue to synthetic output from a the laboratory of the forms in the laboratory.

evolve to other forms in the laboratory through rapid Darwinian natural selection."

Source: Journal of Molecular Evoion, vol 16, pp 121, 147 and 279-290.

Parliamentary diary

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Bankers to open talks on Polish loan plea

Western bankers are to meet in London tomorrow to discuss Foland's request last month for an emergency loan of \$1,000m (1443m). But they will not grant new credit now as they are waiting for western governments to reach agreement on rescheduling the \$10,350m still

owed to them.
Official creditor nations of Poland are scheduled to meet ngain in Paris next week, but it is reported that their work has been impeded by the absence of any credible plan put forward by Poland that would have been about the current of the plan put forward by Poland that would be the current by believe the current of the current by believe the current by believe the current by give reason to believe the cur-rent financial crisis could be overcome. Poland last week estimated its total foreign debts

Bank lending

Bank lending went up by 2,008m, or 3.8 per cent, in the hree months to mid-February, iccording to Early of England igures published today. But the lank estimates that the inrease, which is four times that n the previous three months, onal distortions. When these re removed the underlying evel of increase is thought to how little change from the preious three-month period.

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Executives from Eurofer, the roup of EEC sreelmaking comanies, vesterday resumed negoiations in Luxembourg to draw p a voluntary agreement on roduction and delivery retrains to replace the European ommission's scheme of manda-iry production ediotes for steel thich expires at the end of

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kery to close The Sumblest bakery in North, part of Allied Bakeries, to close on May 2 with the s of 150 jobs. Another 130 rkers will be transferred to more modern Betabake terv in Norwich.

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an for Tunisia

he Kuwait Fund for Arab nomic Development has red two loan agreements Tunisia worth \$40m to finance road and irrigation elopment projects.

me rate cut

he United Overseas Bank up of Singapore is to cut its economy, so congressional ne lending rate today to 13 action on the budget is imporcent from 131 per cent.

CBI says output still slipping and jobless total set for 3.25m

Management Correspondent The decline in manufacturing industry's output, which industrialists had hoped had touched bortom, will carry on sliding and relief is now not expected until 1932, according to economic forecasts published by the Confederation of British Industry today. The revised fore-casts make it clear that a slowing-down in the rate of decrease perceived during the past two months will be strictly temporary.

The CBI's predictions clash with the guarded optimism about the economy shown by Sir Genifrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, before the Commons Treasury select com-Commons Treasury select com-mittee last Wednesday, where he predicted that the recession would bottom out some time during the first half of this

The forecasts, which have been revised to take, account of the impact of the Budget measures, are exceptionally gloomy. Unemployment is expected to continue on an upward trend to the end of next year, when CBI economists are predicting about 3.25 million people will be out of

work.
Manufacturing output, which
it had been hoped might
recover once stock pipelines. were emptied, is expected to continue falling until the first half of 1982, to reach nearly 20 per cent below its 1979 level.

Ourput in the whole economy, after probably temporarily ceasing to decline in the first quarter of this year in relation to the preceding

three months, will resume its downward path, and the dechue may not come to an end until the beginning of next year, the CBI's economic situation report says.

The downward revision is almost entirely attributed to the effects of the Budget on de-mand. For the rest of this year, the CBI expects that falls in all the major com-ponents of demand will more than offset the results of lower stock levels to lead to a fall in gross domestic product, which by the end of 1981 is expected to be 3 per cent lower than 1980, with a further small fall expected for 1982.

tionary impact, the Budget measures are calculated directly to drain between 2500m and 1600m from business in the current financial year, as a result of higher petrol and oir duties, higher vehicle excise duty and other increased costs. CBI economists believe that the deflectioners impact of the the deflationary impact of the Budget on top of the depressing outlook for exports will more than counterbalance the easing in orders and output shown in the monthly inquiry into trends in manufacturing

Ignoring the indirect defla-

industry, also published today. This shows that the proportion of industrialists whose order books were considered below normal in March had dropped from 76 per cent to

Another hopeful sign was the decrease in the companies which expected volume of our-put to decline in the next four months. This dropped from 31 per cent in February to 27 per cent in March.

Car industry hardest hit by redundancies

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

The Trades Union Congress has analysed the industrial impact of job losses ahead of its conference next week on emergency measures to combat the rising tide of redundancies, and concluded that the vehicle industry has suffered more than any other. Lost jobs in car plants account for over 23 per cent of the 107,092 toll in the four months to February 1,

Engineering, metal manufactor 157,000 and in textiles by ture and textiles have also been 114,000. Figures for metal hit hard, but the unions discern manufacture were 77,000, a "small increase" in employ-webicles 63,000 and metal goods ment levels in state-run gas, 58,000. "The rate of loss of water and electricity utilities jobs in manufacturing has also and in public administration, been accelerating," the TUC ment levels in state-run gas, water and electricity utilities and in public administration, and a substantial increase in other 28,000. service industries of

The TUC is poised to revive its crisis guidance issued during the 1974 period of the three day week to union nego-tiators faced with large-scale redundancies. At a conference on unemployment and working time on April 9, union leaders will be asked to consider emergency measures to ban overtime, institute workinterests of saving jobs.
"Employment has fallen swiftly in most manufacturing

industries over the last 12 months", the TUC reports. Latest figures show a loss of jobs of nearly 900,000 in the year to November last, compared with the rise in registered unemployed of just over 200,000

The decline has me live dustrial sectors worst. Employment in engineering fell by

Nearly a quarter of all re dundancies were in the vehicle industries, indicating that the high rate of job loss in the industry has continued into 1981. "Further indications of future job losses come from recent industry estimates that car sales in February 1981 were nearly a fifth down on the corresponding month in 1980 and the prospect of up to 20,000 redun-dancies within BL alone."

REPORTED REDUNDANCIES BY INDUSTRY (1.10.80 TO 1.2.81)

Number of reported tedundancies	Percentage of reported redundancies
25,049	23.4
15,709	14.7
12,805	12.0
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BSC may face new clash over decision on £50m coal imports

Industrial Editor

A new controversy threatens to erupt within the next few weeks over coal imports by the British Steel Corporation.

Senior executives of the corporation will decide shortly whether a contract for 400,000 tonnes of coal a year, worth an estimated £50m over three years, should go to the National Coal Board or to an American mining company. The decision is important as it follows the Government's intervention last month in the coal board's pitclosure programme and its commitment to secure a reduction in coul imports by the steel corporation and the Central Electricity Generating Board, the coal board's two largest customers.

Negotiations on the contract are highly sensitive in view of the importance which the Nat-ional Union of Mineworkers has attached to coal imports. Miners' leaders want imports by the two leading state owned consuming industries brought down to an "irreducible mini-

Steel corporation executives have stressed that even with the best intentions that level would amount to more than 1.5 million tonnes in the corporation's case. In the new financial year which begins this week the steel corporation expects to import about 3 million tonnes of coal, about a million tonnes more

New suitor

for 20th

Supplies will be drawn largely from Australia and Poland and the United States where miners began a strike at the end of

In a deal last September, the steel corporation contracted to buy 4.5 million tonnes of coking coal from the coal board at prices which involved a coal board subsidy of more than A"feature of that agreement

was that the steel corporation would invite the coal board to tender for imported tonnages tender for imported tonnages when agreements, with foreign suppliers came up for renewal. The contract for 400,000 tonnes a year now under offer to the coal board, and previously supplied from the United States, is the first case considered since that agreement was made. Another long term contract, involving between 200,000 and 300,000 tonnes is scheduled for renewal later scheduled for renewal later

this year.
The steel corporation put its offer formally to the coal board in mid-February and detailed discussions have taken place. The steel corporation's technical experts are now evaluating the coal board's proposals for supplying the tonnage required and their recommendations are expected shortly.

The corporation, which substitute spends between £320m and cult to we £340m on coal supplies larger that the said.

than the electricity generating the coal board will be expected to tender at the world market price, which is substantially below the coal board's own list price. But its senior executives have said that the board will have to be able to satisfy the stringent quality requirements which the steel corporation

demands. Consistency of supply and of quality are regarded by the corporation as essential to its coking coal purchases if it is to achieve the level of efficicy and yield from its modern blast furnaces.

There appears to be some scepticism that the coal board will be able to meet these requirements laid down as it is understood that the board has proposed that the quality re-quired by the steel corporation could be obtained from several ifferent collieries.
Mr Iau MacGregor, the steel

corporation chairman told MPs recently that he would consider it "tragic" if the corporation were restrained from importing coking coal since it would force the corporation to "take a pace backwards in its attempts to make itself reasonably effi-cient.".

One of the fallacies is that coal, is coal, is coal. Coking coal is a highly sophisticated material. The penalty of using substitute coal is rather difficult to work out, but it is much larger than the cost of coal",

Long-term corporate bonds may return

Century Fox

From Ivor Davies Los Angeles, March 29 Mr Kirk Kerkorian, the fin-ancier who holds the controlling stake in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film company, may be interested in buying 20th Cen-tury Fox, now that Mr Marvin Davis, a Denver oilman, has

Mr Gregson Bautzer, the lawyer who represents Mr Kerkorian, said over the weekend that Mr Kerkorian was likely to become Fox's next suitor.

Only last month Mr Kerkor-ian received \$79m (£35.5m) for his interests in Columbia Pic-tures and had expressed an interest in acquiring Fox before Mr Davis first offered \$800m for the company in February." Mr Bautzer said that Mr Kerkorian telephoned Mr Her-Siegel, the chairman Chris Craft Industries, to dis-cuss the situation shortly after Mr Davis announced that he was withdrawing Chris Craft owns the largest block of Fox

shares. Mr Bautzer refused to elaborate on the nature of the deal that Mr Kerkorian was seeking, but said that he was convinced that Mr Kerkorian would pur-sue the matter. Whether this would be a buyout of Fox, or if Fox will handle the distribution of MGM films will have to be determined later he

Mr Davis's withdrawal tinued to be the talk of Holly-wood over the weekend. Mr Davis remained silent but Mr Lee Solters, a publicist who was representing him, sug-gested that he had backed out the deal because he did not like the way he was being treated by Fox.

Mr Solvers said in a state-ment: "Someone thought Mar-vin Davis would not back out of the deal at the last minute but learned otherwise and one should now be convinced that Marvin Davis is a businessman who cannot be intimidated and manipulated.

On the stock market For shares closed on Friday at \$55, down \$6.75 on a turnover of 358,700 shares making the film company the tenth

By Ronald Pullen

At least two major British companies are believed to have booked places in the Bank of England's cash-raising queue in order to make corporate bond, issues when the time is right.

In both cases the issuers are hoping to see the structure of long-term yields drop another 1 per cent before they test the Such a move would represent

such a move would represent a large new source of capital for British andustry as the corporate fixed-interest market has been virtually inactive since 1974. Companies have been reluctant to borrow funds for periods of between 20 and 25 years at the high rates of interest prevailing in recent verse.

vears. From 1963 to 1972 some 15 per cent of industrial and commercial companies' external was in the form of loan capital, but since 1974 net redemptions of loan capital (including debentures) have ecome common.

The Wilson report on the working of finencial institutions pointed to the "dormancy of

the long-term fixed-interest loan market as one of the major deficiencies in the financial system ".

Despite a growing trend in the 1970s towards medium-term lending by the clearing banks, such lending has been no sub-stitute for the semi-permanent funds at a "known cost and with known repayment dates", as the Wilson report put it, that the corporate bond market

Now that inflation and interest rates appear to be falling, and with more hope than recent years that this will be sustained, corporate treasurers are again looking towards the long-term capital markets.

Recent events have also underlined the appetite of the investing institutions towards such markets. Last week the Leeds £50m issue for 25 years the ending of exchange controls overseas borrowers have successfully tapped the London sterling market for money over 35 years in one instance years in one instance.

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Hotel chiefs gather ammunition in battle for the Savoy

The £58m battle by Sir Charles Forte for Sir Hugh Wontner's Savoy hotels group begins in earnest this week. Trusthouse Forte has now sent Savoy shareholders a letter explaining why it is seeking High Court permission to call meetings for them. Sir Hugh has refused to call the meetings

himself. Already there has been evidence of personal acrimony hetween the two and the City is intrigued by how Sir Hugh will fight Sir Charles's first contested bid.

One delicate subject which Sir Hugh could well raise again is the abrupt departure of Trusthouse from operating the 384-bedroom Pierre Hotel in New York. Around 192 rooms are apartments which are let to wealthy tenants on a permanent

basis.

The operating structure of complex, it is the Pierre is complex. It is owned by a private company, 795 Fifth Avenue. Appointments to its board of directors are influenced by the apartment buldence

ment holders. Trusthouse obtained the operating contract on a long lease about three years ago. Since then it has spent an estimated £5m on improvements. The contract had a three-year break clause which was exercised after some recent board

The Canadian-based Four Sea and the canadian-based rour seasons chain, which owns the Innon the Park in London, signed a 21-year lease with the Pierre operative from March 1. Trusthouse is currently suing the Pierre and its so-called "cave dwellers" (apartment holders)

changes.

ver the contract. The chairman of 795 Fifth Avenue was not available for comment. His lawyer said he was in Florida.

One recent tenant of Pierra was Mr Michele Sindona who owned an apartment said to be worth in excess of \$500,000. The Four Seasons chain was started and is still owned by the 47-year-old Canadian Mr Isadore Sharp. He studied architecture and went into the

family housebuilding business in 1952. Bis first hotel, the Four Seasons in Toronto, was opened in 1861, as a start to entering the luxury market. He now owns 15 hotels in leading Canadian and Americant cities. Sir Charles is adament that his group did not lose the contract on any issue which related

Stritch.

Any suggestion that Sir

New York's Pleare Hotel.

Charles wants the Savoy because of the loss of Pierre, which was seen as Trusthouse's international flagship, would be bothy denied. The flashpoint for Sir Charles's takcover came when the Savoy, which also owns Claridge's, the Connaught and the Berkeley, decided to sell offices and flats above Simpsons in the Strand.

Sir Charles reiterates the point to Savoy shareholders today as he waits for the High Court's decision which is expec-ted some time next week.

In his letter, explaining the means by which he intends to put his offers to the "A" and "B" shareholders to the vote, he says: "We are advised that it is entirely appropriate and indeed the best way of fulfilling normal standard of fairness to put these proposals to you by way of a Scheme of Arrangement. As a conseto standards of hotel manage quence the holders of ment ordinary shares who

Sir Hugh's own Savoy has a entitled to no less than 97.7 number of wealthy tenants, per cent of the Savoy's total including among them the equity, but only 51.5 per cent American actress Elaine of the votes, can determine the

future of their investment."

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Ministers costs attack

By Patricia Tisdall

Government ministers are ex pected to come under sharp attack from both trade union and 'employers' leaders over energy costs at the National Economic Development Council meeting on Wednesday. Me-David-Howell, Secretary

of State for Energy, is due to open the debate with a report on industrial energy prices at the meeting, the first since the

Budget. At the last NEDC meeting which considered detailed costs Mr Howell promised a

overnment response Industrialists interpreted this as a strong hint of assistance in the Budget. They are now expected to voice their bitter disappointment with the outand to press for monitor ing of comparative international energy costs to be continued

THE UNITED STATES DEBENTURE CORPORATION LIMITED

Extracts from the Directors' Report

Year ended 31st January, 1931

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Main Features	1981	1980	%Change
Gross Revenue	£6,480,798	£5,587,929 *	+19.0
Net Assets	£96,773,449	£86,634,829	+13.7
Per Ordinary 25p Stock Unit:-			·
Earnings	5.75p	4.61p	+12.5
Dividend	5.58p	4.73p	+16.7
Net Asset Value Sules and the second s	133.€p	113.9p	+12.4
*Exc	luding exception	nal gross revenue	of £963,318
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cted 20.1% increase in after tax revenue available for Ordinary Stockholders to £3.942 millions (1980 £3.282 millions), we are able to recommend a final net dividend of 3.58p per ordinary stock unit making a total dividend for the year ended 31st January 1981 of 5.58p per ordinary stock unit. This represents a 16.7% increase in the normal dividend, exclusive of the previous year's special dividend of 0.8o per ordinary stock unit. The increase in after tax revenue was achieved despite a background of continuing economic problems in the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Canada, and despite conditions of strong sterling currency which had a detrimental effect on the conversion of North American

It would seem that the main determinant of the sterling exchange rate is the international perception of our nation's North Sea reserves of oil and gas rather than the relative level of interest rates. It therefore appears likely that sterling will continue to be in demand as an international reserve asset, but that its strength against the American dollar will diminish.

in the current year we expect that corporate profitability in the United Kingdom will be poor and that the growth of income received will therefore be at a lower level than in the year just ended. Nevertheless, it should be possible to maintain the current rate of dividend, despite our intention to increase investment in the United States of America.

The investments grew in value to a record level of £97.899 millions (1980 £87.350 millions). The market value of the United Kingdom investments increased by 11,6% compared with the 2.9% rise in the Financial Times Industrial Ordinary Share Index and the 14.8% rise in the Financial Times All Share Index. The market value of the American investments increased by 12.5% compared with the 8.7% rise in the Standard and Poor's Composite Index, as adjusted for movements in the exchange rate. The market value of the Canadian investments rose by 2.5% compared with the 2.1% rise in the Toronto Composite Index, as adjusted for the movements in the exchange rate. During the year, in accordance with our long-term policy of increasing the proportion of the Company's investments in the United States of America, an amount of £1,423 million was invested there as a result of switches from the United Kingdom, Canada and elsewhere.

The Oil, Gas and Exploration content of investments has grown to 25.7% (1980: 21.6%). This is in accordance with the Board's long-term policy of having an above average commitment to energy

Investment Policy

We predict that stock markets in the United Kingdom, United States of America and perhaps Canada will all have made modest progress by the end of the current financial year. We therefore think it prudent to be fully

In these uncertain times we intend to concentrate investments in quality companies with defensive characteristics. These companies should be soundly managed with strong balance sheets. They should not be over-borrowed and should have the ability to generate cash and to increase dividends. We are mindful of the great intrinsic strength of the American economy together with its abundance

of natural resources and the undoubted potential for further hydrocarbon discoveries. It is our long-term target to increase the North American proportion of the investments to 40%. It is our intention, for the current year at least, that our investment policy should remain unchanged and we would like to restate this. Our objectives continue to be to provide a steadily increasing income

whitst obtaining an acceptable rate of appreciation in the Company's investments, it is intended that these objectives should be achieved through the medium of equity investments in the United Kingdom, United States of America and Canada, it is not the present intention of the Company to invest, in a significant way, in other areas. We wish to continue to be known as an investment trust which provides a relatively high income and has a bias towards investments in the United States of America and also in the energy sector.

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Reagan team determined not to make mistakes of Thatcher monetarism President stands by promise of big tax cuts

programme will bring vast improvements in inflation expectations, with an enormous impact on savings and invest-ment, Dr Norman Ture, undersecretary of the Treasury for tax and economic affairs, says. Dr-Ture, who had a great deal of influence in designing the budget, added: You would have the whole economy crashing through the 1,000 barrier". Last week the Dow Jones industrial share price index hovered tround the 1,000 level-

However, a sustained break-

through will not come until

there is a clear picture of what

congressional

is going to happen to the

Dr Ture, aged 57, a profes- rates will be reduced and at sor, business consultant and least one half to two thirds of former official in numerous United States administrations, is widely credited as being one of the fathers of supply-side economics. He sees changes in marginal rax rates and in public economic expectations playing vital roles in changing the economy's changing economy's course.

In an interview he said that the "economy will take off" if there are some strong congres-sional endorsements of the tax and spending cuts, if the Federal Reserve Board provides clear signals of its determination to slow money supply growth, and if there is action governmental deregulation

of business. Dr Ture said he considered Mrs Thatcher one of the bravest politicians in the world. One of her errors, however, was her failure to implement real marginal tax cuts on all incomes at the start of her term of office, with value-added tax increase offsetting too greatly

President Reagan is not mak-

ing this error. He is going for full-scale 10 per cent across-

the-board income tax reduc-

the income tax reductions.

savings. A 1 per cent rise in the savings rate means more than \$25,000m (£11,100m) Dr Ture said. He revealed that after the tax cuts of the mid-1960s, the savings rate averaged between 7 and 8 per cent for a decade, from a level similar to today

the tax reductions will go into

of around 5.5 per cent, and a similar gain in the savings rate was likely: On Capitol Hill the Democrats appear to believe it is going to be politically easier to administration whose tax and trian the tax cuts proposed by the President than the budget

Dr Ture is not worried. He said the opinion polls sug-gested there was stronger public demand for the tax cuts flationary cor and the public's attitudes budget deficits, would have their effect on. The Reagan and Congress.

suggested by Congressman James Jones, chairman of the budget committee, for full enactment of the tax and spending cuts by August 1, was realistic. He said he was aware American econom of the effort by the Democrats to new prosperity. to slow the approval process, but the administration was not tions. Everyone's marginal going to let this happen.

Dr Ture argued that the budget deficit itself was not important, but what really mattered was how it was financed. Printing more money to finance the deficit was the most certain path to higher in-

Raising savings to finance the deficit and keeping overall money supply growth tightly controlled was the Reagan Administration's approach. Dr Ture admitted, that he

could understand the confusion that abounded in Congress and across America about an spending cuts produced a \$45,000m budget defect, and that still claimed inflation would fall. He clearly regretted that President Reagan cam-paigned so hard against the inconsequences

The Reagan programme had been presented to Congress He agued that the timetable and the big task now is selling it. Dr Ture is explaining to the many unbelievers that tighter money policies with big tax cuts and large spending cuts can within months, set the American economy on its way

> Frank Vogl in Washington

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tant.

THE POUND

Pesco, for one, has concluded that the time has come for change. "Pricing is important But there is not such a difference between the prices in the big stores that people think it worth the shoe leather to go down the road just on that score", says Mr Ian MacLaurin,

its managing director.
So in June Tesco will unveil new campaign to replace operation Checkout", which in olved a dash for growth in sales volumes three years ago through discounting. That had fallowed Tesco's decision to drop giving trading stamps. Checkout has served its pur-

pose. Tesco is now second only to the Co-operative retail socie-ties in market share, with 13.9 per cent of the market-just shead of J. Sainsbury. It now needs a new marketing angle. Sainsbury, emphasizing keen pricing, and with a strong fresh food line, is chasing hard. Once this year it pulled level in mar-

ket share. Tesco, too, has been putting an emphasis on fresh foods, such as greengrocery, bread from in-store bakeries and even fresh fish, particularly in its new large stores. It has been trying to add a quality image to the appeal of its prices.

The idea of the new campaign is to support this new approach. The same development can be seen in the newer stores of Associated Dairies' ASDA The argument is that consumers to nutlets which once characterized the Leeds-based multiplied.

The idea of the new campaign sell consistently and across a wide range of items at prices at least 5 per cent below its competitors.

The argument is that consumers are spending more in real terms on less food and that many retailers have not caught up with changing consumer preferences. An example given by

when almost every high street shoo has a sale or special promotion sign on display to sugsimply cutting prices





Mr Ian MacLaurin, managing A Tesco store advertising the "Checkout" price campaign, director of Tesco: a new which has pushed up the group's market share.

that a Marks and Spencer repu- asparagus, spinach, ratatouille trying to expand its stock of tation cannot be built over- and similar items.

On the other hand as recent British Food Trading Profile* by consultants Halli-day Associates concluded for price to be an affective selling point, a retailer would have to sell consistently and across a

ferences. An example given by

Affluent households are growing at the expense of those in the middle and lower income bands. Those with £140 a week pands. 100se with £140 a week income or more have risen from 14 per cent in 1968 to 41 per cent last year. The middle category (£70 to £140 a week) fell from 49 per cent to 32 per cent and the lowest category (£70 or less) from 37 per cent to 27 per cent. to 27 per cent.

If all this evidence points away from an era of needle substantial, pricing—the likely retail market upturn next year being ority planning delays which another factor—it leaves the aggravate the costing prob-Tasco knows that building an Halliday is a superstore stocking for an take years, even a decade. Mr MacLaurin concedes the superstore stocking for the superstore stocking for the superstore stocking for multiples with a problem, but with no sign on the shelves to replace old small stores with cade. Mr MacLaurin concedes of broad beans, kidney beans, larger units or an ASDA simply

Multiples have been competing with each other to lay hands on sites for new store development, with the trend away from out-of-town loca-tions back to town centres which puts up the development costs.

The recession has caused many to temper their expan-sion into new, larger stores, but the investment taking place-£800m a year-is still substantial.

lems, has come up with the idea of "private sector co-operatives." The multiples, scrambling for prime sites be-

fore the supply runs out, have often turned themselves into developers, producing packages acceptable to local authorities which often own the land.

Tesco wants to extend this idea, with local authorities setting planning targets and working with first-generation capi-

ing with first-generation capi-tal on cost-effective schemes.

The usual mix of retail in-terests—(W. H. Smith, Boots, Marks & Spencer and so on)

and one or two superstores from the multiples—could be the chief source not only of capital but of the expertise that would put a scheme on the right lines.

Smaller retail outlets, possibly a public house and services useful to the comand munity-a hall perhaps, would all fit into the project. .

It could be a natural development. The pressures on Tesco, with its high borrowings, are well documented, though its decision to pull out of schemes at Watford, and more recently at an as yet unidentified north of England district centre scheme, have not been dictated by borrowing considerations. It is certainly true that other multiples have complained that the cost of participating in new chemes is becoming prohibitive.

What Mr MacLaurin looks for from his company's "cooperatives" is that they could accelerate an often drawn-out process of getting schemes through the local authority

When Tesco was first in-volved in the Warford development (in the mid-seventies), the estimated development cost was £8m; when Tesco pulled out re-cently the cost had risen to £15m and the development is

Derek Harris employees' candidates, at least in the larger companies, back-ing up the mandatory works councils at plant level. *British Pood Trading Profile, Halliday Associates, Stanway, Essex; £125.

Time to look again at industrial democracy

Professor Malcolm

Warner Sir, I learn from your columns (March 19) that British companies have gained a new concession from the Legal Affairs Committee of the European Parliament regarding its draft directive on industrial demo-

The committee has come to an agreement that British companies can have a consultative council of workers, instead of blue collar directors. It had already conceded the right of all employees to vote by secret

ballot. Is it vital that we now reopen public debate on the issue? There is certainly evidence that a possible alignment of political parties might lead to statutory legislation in this regard.

European countries already

boast a wide and fascinating spectrum of de jure as well as de facto forms of employee par-ticipation, with a wide rauge of institutional arrangements which have developed over the last three decades at least. By law, firms must have developed over the last three decades at least. By law, firms must have some form of workers' council, albeit consultative, in nearly all these economies; many also stipulate employees represen-tatives on the supervisory (nonexecutive) boards of their com-panies. For example, the Federal Republic of Germany (arguably the most capitalist of the EEC economies) statutorily requires virtually half the seats on these top boards to go to

According to a recent study by European colleagues, the value of workers having a greater say in how their firm is run is precisely that it may positively belp organizational efficiency: "If employee partic-

From Mr D. B. Harper

cards on which to make the entries and which he has returned to the Inspector of Taxes with a summary form (P.35) at the end of the year.

I have recently received from

the document although it is

slightly larger. However, the card which is handled through-out the year is now replaced by

this filmsy sheet which I sus-pect will become dog-eared over 52 weeks of use. Moreover, we

are instructed on the bottom of the form that it must be kept

for not less than three years

after the end of the year to which it relates, or longer if

I have written to the Inspec-

From Mr G. F. H. Cullen
Sir, I noted with interest Mrs
Wilson's letter (March 20) regarding cold water clothes'
washing powder.
Mrs Wilson gives an account

of her efforts to persuade a major United Kingdom com-

pany to manufacture such a detergent in this country fol-

lowing her use of such a deter-

gent in the United States. She adds that there were no plans to market such a product in the United Kingdom. However,

Mrs Wilson might be interested

to learn that there is already a

cold water washing powder on the market in this country. This is a product called "S.A.8 plus" made by Amway and

marketed by Amway distribu-

tors to customers in their homes. This product is also biodegradable and contains a water softener and a corrosion

inhibitor. What it doesn't con-tain is fillors which bulk out British detergents and require

hot water to perform satisfac-torily. Since 70 per cent of the

cost of a wash it attributable to the energy cost of heating the water to perform a hot wash, it can be seen that cold

substantial financial benefit to

G. F. H. CULLEN, 154 Fronks Road,

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Dovercourt.

Cold water

washing

Revenue form-filling

pation is an integral part of the management strategy of the development or survival of the enterprise as a whole we would expect mutual reinforcement" (IDE Group, Industrial Demo-cracy in Europe, Oxford Uni-versity Press, 1981, p 334). This study closely looked at 134 firms and carried out over 8,000 individual interviews, across

twelve European countries (including Yugoslavia and Israel). An average of most workers interviewed (with three exceptions, France, Italy and Israel where the figure was around 60 per cent) of 70 per cent believed that indirect participation via their representatives helps to make decisions taken in the firm "more acceptable" and hence "a positive effect on organizational efficiency". This seems a convincing funding and most European managers do

seem to cope with and adapt to their national system of participation whatever the extent of worker involvement may be.
Surely, further discussion
concerning the variety of
schemes available for worker
participation would be helpful,

most European managers do

particularly given the pace of technological change and the need to involve employees in such developments. such developments.

A recent opinion poll (in early February this year) suggested that of the policies considered most important by potential supporters of the then proposed new Centre alignment in British politics more industrial democracy came next to the top in Importance. The time is surely ripe to once again open up the

to once again open up the debate. Yours sincerely, MALCOLM WARNER, The Henley Doctoral Programme, The Administrative Staff

College, Greenlands Henley-on-Thames, Oxfrdsbire RC9 3AU.

what piece of legislation we are

tion from the Inland Revenue; and, quite clearly, although it may be possible that they are

making some savings, it must be recognized that any change

in their documentation will have had some cost which may

or may not have been taken

Perhaps through the medium of your column we may ask for

into account.

some explanation.

Principal, Eaton House School, 3 & 5 Eaton Gate,

D. B. HARPER,

Eaton Square.

London, S.W.1.

Banks and the health of the economy From Mr Charles A.

Weighbridge Sir, As far as I know nobody has attempted to trace the relationship between the suc-cess or lack of it of any economy and the number and choice of financial institutions which serve it.

In Britain we have the most heavily concentrated banking system and the fewest number of commercial banks of any country in the West. The state of the economy requires little comment.

Whatever the connexion no one can have failed to notice the clearing banks in Britain exercising their financial droit de seigneur over industry. Nor can one have failed to notice that British banking is the most profitable in the world at a time when commerce and industry is sliding into extinc

Against this background Britain needs a banking merger about as much as the Sahara needs a really good drought. If the Lourho/House of Fraser takeover is to be referred to the Monopolies Commission on the ground of "size" or some such obscure pretext then how about Standard Chartered Banks bid for the Royal Bank of Scotland Group? Yours faithfully

C. WEIGHBRIDGE 27 Charsworth Road Ealing, London W5,

Dividends from Nigeria

From Miss Joanna Dickson
Sir, I am grateful you published
the letter from Mr F. W. A.
Spicer on the subject of "Dividends returns from Nigeria"
(March 23), regarding Nigeria"
(Cement Company. It is to be
hoped that many other shareholders will get in touch with
Mr Spicer, at his request.
Dividends have not been paid

Sir, For some years the small businessman who calculates his wages and PAYE etc. manually has been provided with P.11 what is, of course, irritating Dividends have not been paid since 1966, and not 1975, as you printed. What is, of course, irritating for people such as myself is that we are expected to make changes in our own systems with no explanation or justifica-

you printed.

It may be of added interest to note that Zimbabwe has taken the honourable action to outside investors, by releasing funds, held in blocked eccounts, in the form of bonds issues.

Their internal conflict has only recently finished and they are very much in need of outside help.

Nigeria's internal conflict.

Nigeria's internal conflict finished more than a decade ago and they are in a far better position to do what is right to outside investors who believed in Nigeria during the fifties. Yours faithfully, JOANNA DICKSON, 1 The Pleasance, Kinsbourne Green.

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Results for the year ended 31st December 1980

Harpenden,

1979 Revenue before taxation £1,216,180 £1,093,114 £395,424 £348,066 Revenue after taxation £820,756 £745,048 Earnings per Share 13.38p 1216p Ordinary dividend per Share 12.75p 10.75p Net asset value per Share 306.7p 251.1p (fully diluted) The net asset value increased by 22.2 per cent over the year.

The ordinary dividend represents an increase of 18.6 per cent over the previous year, excluding the special dividend of 1.05p paid for 1979. The current recession will make 1981 a difficult year for profits and dividends, and the Board have thought it prudent to recommend the retention of a larger proportion of earnings than in recent years, with the intention of at least maintaining the increased level of dividend for the current year, A 1 for 1 capitalisation issue of shares is proposed. During the year the Company took an interest in a consonium

which was successful in obtaining one of the seventh round North Sea 'premium' licences.

Twenty-five largest holdings

Market	
Company . Value f	Company Value £
Shell Transport and Trading 1,031,800	
Batch Petroleum 855,945	
Hanson Trast 652,050	
Frudential Compaction 558,446	
General Electric (U.N.) === 363,000	
B.A.T. Industries 300,000	
Standard Granerol Rank 232,469	
Diploma Investments 277,500	
Barcizys Bank 270,192	
Consolidated Gold Fields 250,000	
Slough Estates 232,500 Imperial Continental Gas 227,122	
Pan-Holding S.A 225,149	
European Fernes 223,500	
Imperial Coemical Industries 218,700	

DIRECTORS: Desmond A. Reid (Chairman) Maurice B. Bering Nicholas W. Berry Rodney A. Pellatt (Manager) Christopher A. Kasley

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Towards the European accountant

Publication of the Europeau Recaemic Community's propesed Eighth Directive on the qualifications of those eligible to audit limited companies (statutory aduditors) focuses attention on the widely varying methods of qualification as an accountent in the Community.

For those still struggling through difficult examinations. In Britain it may be some comfort to see the problems faced by people in other EEC coun-

Our table attempts to compare the principal qualifications in each country. Greece not included, however, i not included, however, there are several competing accounting bodies in that country and the traditional ones have a strong legal orientation. At this stage it is still not clear which of these will emerge as eligible to provide statutory auditors in the con-text of the Eighth Directive.

A striking features is the high number of qualified accountants in the United Kingdom—a veritable "accountants' mountain". However, a large number of these work in commerce or industry, while those in practice (only 25 per cent of the total? have to audit all limited liability companies.

There are some 600,000 of these in the United Kingdom out of a total of 1,500,000 in the EEC as a whole. In most other EEC countries only the larger limited companies at present fall under mandatory audit requirements, if at all, and some national institutes accept as members only those in public practice.

This situation will change, though, as a result of other EEC legislation which colls for more companies to be audited by the fairly small number of qualified auditors in most other EEC countries today.

It is interesting to see that while a British accountant can hope to qualify by 25, his German counterpart may have to wait another seven years. The table also shows that practical training is not required in The Notherlands and Italy, Yet, for qualified people without such practical training it would be extremely difficult to start a cateer in public accounting or to obtain an engagement as gratuinty additor.

the others. A university degree is still not mandatory in the spective accountants in most United Kingdom though an increasingly large number of The Directive makes no accountants do now have one. attempt at liberalizing cross-

Training requirements are frontier practice rights. Each evidently another aspect of the country will keep a national Directive and much empahasis register of authorized auditors, is placed on a knowledge of all of whom might have been law, including criminal law, trained under the Directive's such as banks or governments, This feature has been introduced by the Latin countries, have to seek special permission say, the United Kingdom or but it is foreign to countries from the national authorities Belgium.

It will, however, only be a such as Britain and The Neth- of their prospective host matter of time before this sit- erlands. It tends to some country, if they wish to practuation is remedied; the man- degree to reflect the prevailing tise outside the country in datory training requirements thinking, especially in French which they were professionally of the Eighth Directive will audit quarters (Commissaires bring the two countries concerned into line with all the other member states.

A relevant university degree

A relevant universi

(generally economics or law- With today's emphasis on based) is compulsory in five of mobility of labour, the questhe member states and of dis-tinct advantage in terms of of qualifications also comes to examination exemptions and/or the forefront. Only a few years period of practical training in ago suict nationality rules were still being applied to pro-

registered. The Eighth Directive also addresses itself to other issues such as the auditor's independence, reciprocal authorization arrangements with non-EEC countries, the different legal forms an audit practice can take and the conditions under which an authorized auditor orized auditors.

The Directive also indicates both the extent and the condirions under which fron-authorized auditors can participate in the capital of an audit firm: In some countries-Germany for example—audir firms have as shareholders outside parties

It will be interesting to see how the various professions develop under the segis of the Eighth Directive and how they will cope with the expected in crease in statutory audit work. One thing is sure: they will try to avoid any attempt to dilute their qualification requirements, endangering the reputation they have built up

The Eighth Directive is just a first step in the harmonization process of auditing gen-erally. Much has still to be done to eliminate artificial barthe Inland Revenue some docu-ments entitled "Deductions Working Sheer P.11 (New)". There appears to be no signifi-cant difference in the layour of riers restricting free movement of the profession within the Community and, more impor tant, to harmonize actual audit standards and practices.

Richard Fellows

The author is with the Dussel-dorf office of Ernst and Whin-

HOW QUALIFICATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY COMPARÉ

	Belgium	Denmark	France	Ireland	italy .	Luxembourg	Netherlands	Kingdom	Germany
Main Qualifications	Reviseur d'entreprise/ Bedrijfsrevi- soren	Statuthori- serede revisorer	Expert comptable	Chartered accountant	Dottore commercial- ista	Expert comptable	Register accountant	Chartered accountant	Wirtschafts- prüfer
Approximate number	250	1,400	8.000 (2)	2,000	14,000	50	4,500	80,300 (4)	3,900
Educational requirements	Relevant degres	Relevant degree	University or business school degree recommended		Pelevant degree	Relevant degree '	Degree not compulsory	Degree not compulsory with certain exceptions (4).	Relevant degree (5)
Practical training	1-3 years	3-5 years	3 years	3 years with degree, 4 years without	None	3 years	None	3 years with degree, 4 years without	5 years (8)
Average qualifying age	27	30	28	25	26 (3)	28	30	25	32
	Expert comptable (1)	Registere revisorer	aux Comptes	Certified public accountant	Ragioniere Profession- ista (7)	None	Staatspraktijk Diploma Accountant- Administrative Consulent	accountant, cost and	Steuerberater (6)

(1) This quality attorn is held by approximately 1 500 accountants but is not officially recognized by Jaw. (2) Includes Comptables agree. (3) Average age of compoten candidate. (4) Includes English and Scottich Institute: of Chartered Accountants. (5) In exceptional curumstances if is possible to quality without a envertity degree. In which case 10 years practical includes to Eccessary (b) Allows cortain exemptions from fair papers in Wintechalispruler examination; Steudification is held by approximately 15,000 accountants who must have had two years practical experience before laking writer and one formations. (5) Steedification is live years in business field of which four must have been concerned with auditing. (9) There are approximately, 6,000 Commissaires and Comptes in France. Source: Ernol & Whinney,

Shift from printing brings its benefits

Watford's printing industry, onte dominant enough to earn the fown the sobriquet of the printing capital of Europe, has reen hard hit during the present recession The strength of the Herrfordsince towns two giant print plants. Sun Printers and Odhams, has been undermined by a decade of declining profittability, not to say outright losses, increasingly successful

But though they employ only about helf as many people as they did 10 years ago, the two companies are still large enough for their problems to send ripples of apprehension throughout the local com-

foreign competition and, more

recently, by the strength of

And problems there have been. Odhams, whose main power base is the range of weekly magazines printed for its parent IPC, lost the Sunday Telegraph magazine last Novem-

Mr Rupert Murdoch's takeover at The Times and The Sunder Times led to speculation about the continued printing of The Sunday Times magazine at Sun Printers. The financial problems of Sun's parent, the British Printing Corporation, raised fears that plant might not get the large share of the printing work on

the TV Times that it had been promised under a deal announced last year.
Without that contract the future of Sun looked grave and

there were added problems over the loss of mail order work to European competition. Acceptance of the "survival" plan for Sun, drawn up under the watchful scrutiny of BPC's new chief executive, Mr Robert Maxwell, coupled with the eventual clinching of the Ti Times deal, in which the survival plan played a vital part, has pulled the last that the formula of the part, has pulled the last that the formula of the part, has pulled the last that the formula of the part, has pulled the last that the formula of the part, has pulled the part. has pulled the plant back from the brink.

Brighter future

1.700 or so jobs. Now, however, that BPC has announced that Sun will be part of an autonomous gravure printing group within the corporation, with plans for substantial investment aimed at clawing back millions of pounds worth of work being lost to its competitors, the future looks rather brighter.

Odhams has so far avoided

redundancies. The Sunday Ex-

press magazine is due to start rolling off its presses this week

and at least one other big con-tract could be on the cards.

Industry in the regions

Watford

Odhams is having to look hard at its competitiveness.

The 2,000-strong workforce has recently been warned that unless it accepts a package of pay and conditions by tomorrow there could be substantial redundancies and a cutback on costs and investment. Union leaders at the plant are recommending the deal's acceptance.

Among the town's 50 or so other printing firms there has But it has also meant the loss of more than 400 of the plant's 1700 or so jobs. Now however, the loss of more than 100 jobs. But, according to Mr Alan Robinson, branch secretary of the National Graphical Associa-tion in Watford, the smaller companies have weathered the storm rather better than their larger counterparts.

The smaller companies are

ail feeling the pinch now, but ticking over. There have been some redundancies, but they still seem to be able to manage.' The larger companies, he believes, are being affected by

But, with other gravure plants the impact of new technology its helicopter engines have trimming their workforces, and the strength of the pound, remained fairly stable even

which gives foreign competitors a trading edge. He points out that one of Britain's big print-ing competitors, Italy, has just devalued the lira.

Because Watford's dependence on the printing industry has been decreasing the effects

of recent traumas has been less dramatic than might once have been the case. Other industries, like engineering and electronics, have moved into the town to help spread the range. But the other industries themselves have felt the effects of the recession. The worst blow fell just a few days before Christmas last year when the Dickinson Robinson Group decided to close its Croxley Mil's in Watford with the loss of more than 700 jobs, ending almost 150 years of paper making at the plant.

Jobless

Other jobs have gone, too, and the number of unemployed this month is slightly over 2,500. But, at 5.3 per cent of the working population unemployment is only just over half the national average.

white collar jobs, but sales of

though cuts in defence spend-ing caused some worries. The management is hopeful of breaking tinto the lucrative civil aviation market, where helicopter sales are booming. Another big engineering concern, Scammells—part of BL-has escaped many of the diffi-

culties that have beset its parent company and its rivals in the commercial vehicle in-dustry. The plant had a threemonth spell of short time late last year, but its reputation as a specialist truck builder, coupled with two multi-million pounds orders for military vehicles from Jordan and Iraq, has sheltered it from the worst effects of the slump in commer-cial vehicle sales.

Mr Bob Stewart, manager of the Watford Job Centre, believes that an important factor in the town's fairly low unemployment level is the diversity of industry. "There are only five really big employers and in a town the size of Warford that is very unusual. The rest are smaller units, "A lot of the smaller firms may have trimmed their work-

forces a little, but they are still there", he says. But he points out that while The area's biggest employer, Rolls-Royce with a workforce of 3,400 at its Leavesden factory, is gradually shedding some

But he points out that while the town's unemployment level might well be the envy of other areas, it is, by Watford's own standards, unprecedentedly areas, it is, by Watford's own standards, unprecedentedly

Mark Milner

Steel Stockholders Manufacturers of Safety Barriers and Steel Liniels Drop Forgers

- Record profit of £1,132,171 for year to 30th September 1980 despite adverse effects of the recession.
- Dividend 10% higher than last year.
- 1 for 10 Scrip Issue.
- Cash position strong.
- Demand currently low but record of progress should be resumed in 1982 given more normal trading conditions.

Addressing the Annual Meeting Mr. Denis Hodgetts, the Chairman, announced the acquisition of Asset Building Components Ltd., manufacturers of steel lintels and industrial roller shutters.

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from the Secretary. Hill & Smith Limited, P.O. Box No. 4, Brierley Hill, West Midlands, DY5 1 JL.

Banks and the health of the economy

ITOR

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

As Trusthouse takes the Savoy to court...

r Charles Forte's attack on The Savny fould 20 into the courts shortly. The to begistrar will be asked to decide whether Setting resthouse Forte's Scheme of Arrangement in Fer under Section 266 of the Companies the long of (the first time this has been pursued in the contested bid) can go forward.

If so Trusthouse will be able to call and parate meetings of the "A" and heavy-ining "O" shareholders to puts its terms and beaver-for them. The outcome of a meeting of " h B" shareholders is a foregone conclusion. is through this capital that the hourd of e Savoy controls the company, The "A" Company, The "A" company, The "A" company, The "A" a vore the each share, can, as Trusthouse has a structured, change that If 75 per cent of the indicate the shares are cast for Trusthouse it will have gained 51 per cent of the Savoy votes and id victory for its \$58m bid.

the But this assumes first that the court Slows Trusthouse to call separate meetings Trusthouse to can separate meeting the an idea which the Savoy has termed to fundamentally objectionable "in that all the architecture are not being asked to decide the of their company (a point which state steinders are not being asked to decide the fate of their company (a point which huld be stond on its head)-and, second, and the minute agreement was given by the Sourt another hidder does not step in and tempt to do what Trusthouse is doing, smigh at a rather greater price.

E Given that the Savoy has yet to produce its assets at only £18m is clearly underared, it is difficult to assess the fairness Tructhouse's terms.

At this point they appear generous and rusthouse is concentrating attack on the uge income advantage of accepting its ffer. The Savoy will have difficulty answerig since its present lossmaking position - lineans that it will have to pay a 1980 ividend from reserves. It is not difficult, owever, to imagine the Savoy carrying out revaluation of its properties-including avoy itself, Claridges, the Berkeley and he Connaught-and showing that even on going-concern basis their value is not far ifferent from that of Trusthouse's present rnis. Then of course it will argue that here should be a substantial premium for andwill despite the present parlous trad-

are position of the Savoy. - Nevertheless, Trusthouse is not going to ive up easily on this occasion and it has the backing of the Kuwait Investment office with 35 per cent of the "A" capital. has already indicated that if the court isallows its Scheme bid it may follow grough with a general offer. It appears to ...e in the mood to carry out that threat if ecessary.

Thus, Savoy shareholders are under-inned for the moment at 1820. But there : a danger along the way. If Trusthouse ails to break open the Savoy now, then πο ne can without the approval of the board. this bid (or a counter offer) fails the cares, stripped of the "bid content" thich has been in the Savoy price for so many years, would fall dramatically.

lorporate bonds

signs of

veryone is willing the corporate bond arket back into life. But still no one is repared to take the plunge into what used the one of the traditional ways of raising ng term capital for industry until hair-

. That could change soon. Several corporate easurers are eyeing the market closely. To judge by the success of Leeds' £50m sue last week and the reopening of the erling bulldog market, there seems to be ready institutional appetite for diversifyg long-term fixed interest portfolios proded the terms are right.

It is just possible to envisage a situation ere there is a shortage of long-term struments if the Government gets on top its borrowing and stops other potential crowers being crowded out.

But the problem with the corporate bond arket over the last few years of inactivity rarely been one of a shortage of vestors but the reluctance of borrowers ... come forward on terms that could comis to with what the authorities were offerg in the gilt-edged market.

Whatever the arguments of corporate ance purists that after tax relief on terest a case can always be made for ving that debt is in fact cheaper than uity, companies have been unwilling to themselves into the balance sheet or

income gearing that long-term borrowing at high interest rates would mean. Rights issues have tended to look more attractive.

Whenever interest rates have started to fall, as they did three years ago, companies have shied away from reopening the corporate bond market because bank borrowing has looked relatively cheaper.

Indeed, the reorientation of the clearing banks away from overdraft to medium-term lending, which is both more flexible and less expensive to arrange, has taken some of the necessity out of the corporate bond

One distinct change in recent months has been the growing interest the authorities have been showing in the revival of the

The authorities are also thought to have tinkered with the idea of making the corporate hond market more attractive through tax concessions or perhaps even subsidies, although this seems to have fallen down because of the abuses it may lead to.

The new index-linked gilt, which by being restricted to gross funds overcomes any tax problems that may arise if the issue is construed as artificially converting income into capital, opens up a possible avenue for a similar issue in the corporate bond market as indeed was recommended in the Wilson report for industrial debentures so long as the open-ended liability that would involve could be solved. Certainly the Treasury could not turn a deaf ear to such a proposal easily.

Removal of stamp duty on non-convertible issues has reduced the cost of corporate bond issues although there is still a feeling that this is a relatively expensive way of raising money even though the Stock Exchange usually consents to a placing rather than the paraphernalia of an offer for sale. Conventional wisdom in the City remains that gilt yields will have to drop another point or so to encourage corporate borrowers in a big way and companies may well test the water with shorter, say 5-10 year, issues. But the chances of a revival are now higher than at any time over the last five years.

It remains to be seen just how restrictive the conditions attaching to new issues, which have caused plenty of headaches for financially strapped companies, will be this time round and whether borrowers will be able to tuck in prepayment rights to avoid committing themselves so far ahead. 9 Now that the Monopolies Commission has given qualified permission to S. & W. Berisford to proceed with a fresh bid for British Sugar Corporation, possibly this week, only one other major obstacle lies in Berisford's path: is BSC worth the likely

The figure being bandied around is 330p share, which would value BSC at £200m. although Berisford already holds 10 per cent of BSC. There is no question that Berisford can fund this in cash, shares or some com-bination of the two. But what is the opportumity cost? Looking at BSC's earnings. could Berisford do better with its money over the next few years?

BSC could well raise profits in the current financial year, which ends in September, from £34m to about £43m. Contingent upon the beet crop, currency movements, and the EEC's annual farm review, which sets agricultural prices, £50m in 1981-82 is poss-

On the current share price of 290p, BSC would yield 10 per cent this year, depending on assumptions about dividends, with earnings per share of around 34p. Asset values are a bit above £4 a share, but since sugar refineries can be used for little else, assets are valuable to Berisford only in so far as they make its balance sheet of around £90m appear more solid. The main attraction of BSC must be its earnings.

Of the £180m possible cost, some £47m will have to be paid to the Government in cash for its 24 per cent stake since it is unlikely the Ministry of Agriculture will want Berisford shares, and in any case the Government is committed to selling the stake. So allowing for part of the settlement being made in shares, Berisford may have to find about £100m in cash at an annual interest cost of around £15m.

But one of BSC's attractions is that it will hardly pay tax for the next couple of years if not longer because of a heavy capital spending programme. The pretax profit is therefore effectively the net, and so the rate at which Berisford would cover the purchase cost is fast. BSC could pay for itself in five years.

Frances Williams

A hard road back to full employment

when it comes to forecasts of unemployment over the next ten

years or so. The pessimistic, who include such supporters of the present Government's economic strategy as the London Business School's Centre for Economic Forecast-ing, see unemployment well above two million for the foreseeable future. The despairing, most of whom have little confidence in government policy, expect unemployment to rise well beyond three million and to stay at those chastening heights indefinitely in the ab-sence of a major reversal of

Even with such a reversal the outlook for unemployment re-mains grim. Must we then abandon all hope of achieving low unemployment levels through-out the 1980s or beyond?

For more than three decades fter the end of the Second World War governments shared the view that society had a prime—some would arrue paraall its citizens who wished to work. This consensus persisted even when unemployment was deliberately being created as a weapon in the authorities' largely unsuccessful struggle to combat inflation.

But it broke down completely in 1979 with the election of a Conservative Government committeed to monetarist error

committed to monetarist economic policies, which denied that governments could influence unemployment levels

Economists divide themselves over the long term. The defeat into two camps—the deeply of inflation supplanted full pessimistic and the despairing emptorment as the overriding

nbjective of policy.

Monetarists believe that there is a "natural rate" of unemployment in the economy, defined as the rate compatible with a constant inflation rate. What that constant inflation rate is, depends on the growth in the money supply.

The natural unemployment rate at any, time is determined hy structural features of the economy and, more especially, by the labour market, including the level of unemployment benefit relative to incomes in work, workers' ability to move to where the jobs are twhich in turn depends on conditions in the housing market) and willing-ness to accept lower pay rates to increase job prospects.

In a paper for the Commons Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee published last Wednesday the Treasury put the present natural rate of unem-playment at about 5 per cent of the workforce, equivalent to nearly 11 million unemployed adults. This is much higher than previous estimates in the mid-1970s which put the rate at 500,000 to 700,000 unemployed.

But it may well be an under-estimate. Dr Alan Budd of the London Business School, for example, believes that the rate may lie somewhere between 1! and 2 million.
On the monetarist view.

unemployment above the natural rate means that inflation will start to slow down as workers accept lower pay settlements and "price them unemployment cless than the selves into work". This process expected growth in the labour will also bring unemployment down gradually towards the natural rate. Unemployment below the natural rate produces steadily accelerating inflation and unemployment rises as

workers "price themselves out of work". So it is no good governments trying to cut unemployment by boosting demand in the economy artificially. This may cui unemployment in the short tiwo to three years or more; intections of cash into the sys-tem simply add to inflation, while unemployment returns inexorably to the same levels as before.

Governments can, of course, the natural rate

fry to reduce the natural rate of unemployment by tackling the structural conditions which determine it-work incentives, housing reform or trade union tration, has attempted to do, so for with notable lack of success, Politwar experience does not, however, give much support to the "natural rate" hypotheas. It suggests, on the contrary, that boosts to demand have a permanent effect on employment, though at some tion and a worse balance of payments.

A \$1,060m cut in income tax, for example, will boost national output by about 1 per cent and crease 100,600 to 150,000 extra jobs within two or three years. This would knock rather fewer than 100,000 off registered force over the next few years) and add about half a percentage point to the annual infla-tion rate.

The surges in unemployment over the past 15 years or so — in 1967, 1971, 1975-76 and 1980-81—have all resulted from dellationary policies pursued by governments which have deliberately chosen to put inflation or balance of payprovision of employment.

But to bring unemployment 1984 down from forecast levels (3! million or more) to present figures (2.3 million in March, 1981), let alone to produce a fall below two million, would require the creation of 500,000 jobs a year between now and then, with a fiscal stimulus of some £5,000m to £5,000m each year. An increase in employment on that scale has not been achieved in this country since demobilization. To bring unemployment down below one million, which many people would say is still ten high, would at more modest rates of ob creation take at least 10

Nor are the omens provitious for substantially increasing in-dustrial employment over the next few years. World trade is expected to grow fairly slowly, depressing prospects for ex-ports. And many people believe that the response of employment to changes in output may become increasingly sluggish as a result of improvements in productivity.

in the service industries, includsary to get unemployment

Also, surveys by the Confederation of British Industry and other evidence suggest and other evidence suggest that the present recession may have resulted in some permanent elimination of industrial demand could run into bottle-neck, and snortages more quickly then in previous un-turns. Forther stimulus would then simply exacerbate inflation

and such in imports rather than

give rise to more jobs in dom-

estic industries Of course, it is possible to device combinations of measures which are rather more efficient in creating jobs than income tax cuts (which lead to substantial leak uses through cutter accurate and imports) extra savings and imports such as more public spending. or which minimise some of the side-effects, such as incomes policies. And the creation of 200,000 new jobs a year—enough to start unemployment falling slowly—through sus-tailing slowly—through sus-tained liscal expansion over the next decade could be achieved without causing the economy to overheat unduly.

But it is faoiish to pretend that the costs will be negligible. The question is: is the price worth paying to avoid the continuing sacrifice of lives bligh-ted by unemployment? Surveys of public opinion suggest that the majority of people in this country now believe that it is,

A fresh initiative is being taken to change attitudes, Lucy Hodges reports

Women's continuing struggle for equality

British employers' attitudes have changed little where women are concerned. They employ large numbers of them, but mainly in low status, low jobs—as secretaries, s, cleaners or factory ssembly hands.

Despite the passing of two Acts designed to change this, and even though increasing numbers of women go out to work, things are not getting much better. In some ways they are becoming worse.

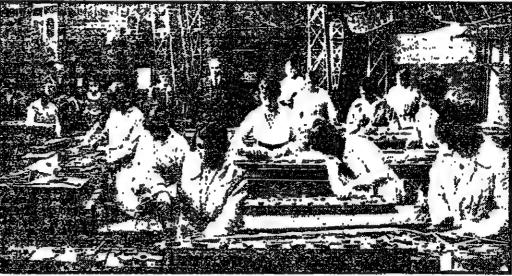
The gap between women and men's pay has widened and the Equal Pay Act cannot be invoked unless a woman can find a man doing similar work with whom to compare herself. This women in exclusively female

The top people in most pheres are still mainly men. In science, engineering and technology women are in only 7.8 per cent of managerial and 6.8 per cent of professional jobs. In contrast, they eccount for 75 per cent of those doing work of a clerical type.
What can be done about this?

Some answers may emerge at a conference on "Positive Acin London next Monday. ganized by the National Council for Civil Liberties and financed by the German Marshall Fund and the Ford Foundation, it will explore the concept: of "positive action", an idea which is already accepted in the United States where it goes by the name of affirmative action.

There is much confusion in Britain about what it means, but positive action is a flexible term used to cover a package of steps which employers can take voluntarily to ensure that women are given full opportun-ities at work—to gain promotion and generally use their talents to the full. It covers everything from policies to en-able working mothers to work the hours that suit them to special training schemes for women to get into jobs for which they lack the qualifica-

British employers may well — and probably will — argue that this does not make commercial sense, but the Americans next week will say the opposite. Mrs Joan Showalter, a vice-president of Columbia Broadcasting Service (CBS), who is also its personnel dir-



Women making alreraft parts at a Chelsea works during the First World War: the war

about events at CBS since 1973, strange to British ears-even when, without prompting from illegal under the Sex Discrimi-the government or litigants, it nation Act, 1975, but it is cer-decided to become what is tainly not so. What is illegal known in the jargon as an under the Act is to discriminate "equal opportunity employer" in favour of women and against equal opportunity employei Seven years ago women accounted for only 18 per cent of the managerial and executive positions at CBS: now they make up 30 per cent.

It has had to be paid for (the company spends \$1.5m [about £650,000] a year on career training for women and minorities), but Mrs Showalter argues that it is worth every cent because the uvailable tulent is no longer wasted. "CBS is a stronger company today than seven years ago because of the initiatives taken on behalf of

women", she says.
The exercise began when senior executives met an ad-hoc committee of CBS women who wanted change. Specifically, they asked for all job vacancies to be opened up to women, for a women's advisory council which would meet regularly with senior management and for career counselling and special career training seminars. They also wanted monitoring of the jobs done by women at CBS and of the women's progress.

All these demands were met
—and more. There is now a
Director of Women's Programmes and the predominantly male management has special sensitizing" briefings on how to manage women and blacks.
This "discrimination" in

men at the point of selection. Employers must choose the best candidate for the job, but there is nothing to stop them encouraging women to apply for jobs and holding special training

sessions for them. All this is spelt out in a book* to be published tomorrow to coincide with the conference. In it Sadie Robarts, a bar rister, explains why such poli-cies are needed, what companies have done in Britain and how things could be improved. The book favours positive ac-

tion through collective bargaining between unions and management rather than by legislation and legal action, as has been mainly the experience, CBS not withstanding, in the United States. In Sweden, which did not even have a Sex Discrimination Act until last year, unions and management have achieved a lot together and this would probably fit in better with Britain's flexible and compromising ways than the United States model.

In America some of the biggest battles were fought through the courts. An important victory was won against the Bank of America in the early 1970s by a group of women acting on behalf of all their female bank colleagues

She will tell the conference favour of women may sound (this is known as a class action and is not possible here).

Some of the 64,000 women were given back pay, but more important was the setting up of four trust funds to train women to a five-year plan of action, which included setting goals for the number of women to be in different grades by a certain

The issue of goals or targets or quotas is tricky and induces fierce argument. Quotas are illegal in this country, as they are now in the United States.

But there is no reason why targets cannot be set, as Rank Nerox has theoretically done in its equal employment opporfunity policy introduced five years ago. The policy says that each unit will be asked to set its own targets and maintain clear

records of progress achieved. Is this happening? Rank Nerox sounded a little thrown when asked. The international headquarters in London said that it did not monitor what its individual units were doing. After some inquiry Mr Neil Ashworth of Rank Nerox UK, said that there was targeting or monitoring only among sales people, but this did not necessarily have anything to do with the equal opporturity policy. "We wanted to broaden the range of people in the sales force," he said.

The target for women is 20 per cent of new recruits every year. At present women constitute 12.2 per cent of the sales force and last month 17.7 per cent of new recruits were women. Over the past five years the number of women in middle to senior managementone nut of 160 to 12 out of 160.

If Rank Xerox can achieve this much without bothering about company policy, how much better could it do if it

*Positive Action for Women, by Sadio Robarts; \$\simeq\$ from the National Council for Civil

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Business Diary profile: British fashion's princely opportunity

One of the many British industries ich could be lifted out of a slump the coming Royal Wedding is hion. Quite apart from the high eet flurry in "Something for the assion, you know" and a welter of ok-alike Lady Di wedding dresses, upturn in floppy hats and a new nand for matching shoes and handwedding makes Londing in a plausible centre of style. 5, the wedding makes London

This week, London Fashion Week, capital plays bost to some very portant persons, the many interional huyers. And not a moment While the deficit between imports

exports of all types of clothing in United Kingdom fell by 522m to ?1m between 1979 and 1980, what ects this seat of the pants occupan is the level of our national

Foo much has been made of the sures and failures on the Eritish hion scene in the past year and not hagh of the reasons. Among names nct were in the headlines are two Yuk, and John Bates-which anks to new forcign backers have unced back just before our crucial

ests arrive this week. The very fact that two such overtly ccessful names-lipe for the licen-is market and for big investment their very different personalities d styles—had failen on hard times ils us much about the state of the itish industry. John Butes had eated in Jean Veron a consistently city. Flattering range—old shioned words maybe, but they sell othes-produced always to high

standards and well priced. Bates's own-label couture range gave the added spice and gloss to his glam-orous image, the cream which sells the milk.

Unusually, Bates started with the rough and tumble of ready-to-wear, establishing a formidable name in a market very well supplied from England—evening wear. Both his natural inclination for individual recognition and the need for a Name to promote volume merchandise against fierce competition led to the establishment of the couture range, which some argue proved too much of a drain on the designer and the solid hase of the Varon range.

Yuki suffered sporadic halts in manufacture and from a sense (to many) of charming, very English but eventually disastrous amateurism. After nearly 10 years of hard work he remains a poor man while others have copied his ideas to their great

Both ventures collarsed last year, but are now back, both designers ecstatic about how obliging they find manofacturers in India, Hongkong and Japan, in supplying superb fabrics, either natural or synthetic.

They are only too pleased to supply printing, pleating, special effects, devotion to detail and interest in the product, which get the designer lionized in Paris or Italy and make our surly defensive home trade as un-chic as last year's way to tie a scarf. Yuki, now safe in the arms of Tokyo Blouse has produced a ravish-

ing collection in materials completely

new to me which meet the demands

of today's big spending fashion cus-



What it takes if British fashion is to be uncrushable: Yuki's uncrushable evening dress in Silmi satin, which will be shown in London tomorrow.

tomer—beauty, originality, and ease. Tokyo Blouse is a privately owned company of thirty years standing which has eight divisions and manu-

factures in Japan. It will retain all marketing rights to Yuki's name in evening and cocktail wear and formal day wear for Japan, Australia and the United States while the sales for Europe will be handled from London. as will be the new, small couture range and the eight quite separate licensing arrangements already under way for Yuki. These range from ties and handkerchiefs to luggage. John Bates, with an exceptionally wearable group of pure silks, is signed up with the Esal Group, a

multinational organization, privately owned and run by Indian nationals based in England. He, too, retains an independent small couture range made in England. The future of the fashion and

industries, which may be indivisible in this country, resides in "commitment"—commitment from the Government to support an industry which sometimes appears to warrant little more than giggles in Whitehall. The Government should intervene with the establishment of an animal similar to the Arts Council —with financial teeth and a long leash, thereby recognizing fashion design as one of the arts, if a minor

Further, it should intervene by shifting certain colleges with design education facilities from the hands of the Department of Education into those of the Department of Industry. The Council for National Academic Awards should pause before approvany further BA honours courses in fashion or textile design, for what is

needed is Indians as well as chiefs.
In other words, to be a technician,

however brilliant, should no longer

mean being consigned to a limbo of sadness and resentment. There must be an end to the squabbles and overlapping between promoters of fashion exhibitions. They waste money and erode good

Incentives should be provided for the battered textile industry to work with designers in producing short, experimental runs of cloth.

To sell competitively in the modern market we need either to be very price-competitive and technically advanced or to offer unique design in an increasingly flooded market. If talent is wedded to manufacturing capacity, there is no reason why we hould not manage to make what the

United States calls "Needs and

"Needs" are obvious-the clothes people have in their cupboard-and they are supplied in the United States usually in any size anyone cares to contemplate and in an extremely and sensibly limited range of style and colour. There is depth not range. "Wants" are the irresistible clothes that people covet.

The English equivalent might be called Mass and Musts and we should be gearing up to provide both. Above all, we must seize the opportunity of the Royal Wedding to capitalize on our undoubted fashion talent. It is an opportunity such as we failed to grasp in the 1960s when suddenly we "swung", got the world over to buy our young, funny fashion and then failed with deliveries. An opportunity like this is unlikely to recur for a long time to come.

NCC to discuss offer terms with UNC

By Our Financial Staff Mr Graham Ferguson Lacey, chairman and chief executive of NCC Energy, flies to New York today to resume talks with directors of the American UNC Resources group, which three weeks ago he said had approached him with a view to

making an offer.
Discussions will centre on terms of any offer, which have been rumoured to be between 150p and 160p a share. NCC shares were suspended by the company on Friday at 142p, valuing the energy group at about £40m.

The halt to dealings was called not on any development NCC, but because talks had begun with the world's largest pottern maker, Simplicity, to "actively explore

and work towards a merger".

NCC plans to buy 5.5 per cent of Simplicity at \$13 a share for the equivalent of £3.6m. New York sources are suggesting that NCC has a further option to acquire more further option to acquire more shares at the same price, spending the equivalent of £7.7m on a total stake of 10.011 per cent. It is not yet clear how the

financed, but unconfirmed re-ports indicate that NCC, 40 per cent owned by Mr Ferguson Lacey, has sold some more shares in the Bermuda-based oil exploration company Weeks Petroleum, in which NCC still has a 2.5 per cent stake. At Weeks's closing price before the weekend, the stake was valued at 25.1m. Last November, NCC Energy reduced its 7.5 per cent stake in Weeks by 5 per cent at a price of 480p, raising about

The deal with Simplicity, which has no oil, gas or mining interests, will mean that Mr Ferguson Lacey and Mr H. Cittes, newly appointed president of NCC Energy, will join Simplicity's board. The chairman and one other director of Simplicity will join the board

Simplicity is valued on the New York Stock Exchange at \$135m. Pre-tax profits for the year to last January were \$18.5m. It has assets of around \$146m, no debt and in excess of \$85m cash.

Sturla-First Guernsey deal

By Our Financial Staff Consumer finance

Sturla Holdings has concluded the negotiations it announced in January with First Guernsey Securities Trust, The result is an agreed bid worth about an agreed bid worth a £1.4m for First Guernsey. The bid is equivalent to 120

per cent of net assets and will be in ordinary shares at a price to be fixed at the latest practicable date before the posting of the offer. It will be underwritten in cash. The offer is conditional on

the approval of Sturla share-holders for the increase in

The Amic group benefited in 1980 from the high level of

economic activity which prevailed in the country and earnings increased by 51.3 per cent to R151.5 million, while

earnings per share rose by a similar percentage from 371.1

cents to 561.8 cents per share. In line with the trend in inter-

national accounting practice, in its 1980 financial year Amid

adopted a policy of equity accounting for companies in

which the Amic group has an effective equity interest of

between 20 and 50 per cent and earnings are stated on this

basis. For comparative purposes the 1979 ligures have been restated accordingly.

cents per share to give a 33 per cent increase in the total dividend from 105 cents to 140 cents per share:

Amio's major operating subsidiaries once again schleved eubstantially higher profits. The group's exports, however, were affected by weak overseas markets and a strong South African currency and declined from R230 million in 1979 to

R197 million in 1980. In most cases the additional pro-

ductive capacity which became available as a result of

1980 was a year of significant expansion for the Amio

Group, both internally and through the acquisition of three

Important interests at a cost of approximately R87 million. Scaw Metals acquired, for R53 million, a 36.2 per cent effective interest in Haggie Limited, the major South African

producer of wire and wire ropes and a manufacturer of a

wide range of other products; Amic's expansion into the

electrical engineering and electronics industries was initiated through the purchase of a 46.3 per cent equity interest, costing R27 million, in Asea Electric South Africa

Limited, an important South African manufacturer of trans-

formers and other electrical equipment and by the

million, In Control Logic (Proprietary) Limited, a manu-

totalled R161.4 million and major capital projects made

The market value of the group's listed associated com-panies and investments at December 31 1980 was R229.3

million, reflecting a 111 per cent appreciation over carrying

or book value of R108.7 million, while the group's unlisted

associated companies and investments, with a carrying of book value of R62.0 million, were valued by the directors

In 1980, the rate of economic growth in South Africa ex-

ceeded the most optimistic expectations. Current informa

tion suggests an increase in GDP of the order of cight per cent — an exceptional outcome in the world context and a marked contrast with South Africa's growth performance

The strong and growing impetus in economic activity

The strong and growing impletes in economic activity throughout the year stemmed mainly from a vigorous expansion in domestic demand. Substantial tax reductions in the March 1980 budget, rising employment and an environment which was generally conducive to high average wage settlements, resulted in a sharp increase in

isposable personal income. As a result, consumer ing was particularly buoyant, with sales of durable

With regard to the current year, it is clear that a further

surge in demand of the magnitude of that which occurred last year is unlikely, although it should be borne in mind that

real gross domestic expenditure only recently exceeded the 1975 level. Nevertheless, existing constraints on the country's productive capacity have been brought sharply

into focus and a period of consolidation is necessary. Unfortunately, the adverse effects of certain inflationary bottle-

necks - notably the shortage of skills and also of goods for

intermediate and final consumption in some spheres - are already with us. The containment of inflation has thus

become a top priority. A more disciplined monetary environ-

ment, necessitating a relatively high level of interest rates, is seen as the principal pre-requisite if the balance between

aggregate supply and demand is to be established more effectively.

It is now common cause that alleviation of the balance of

payments constraint in recent years has provided South Africa with the basis for a period of sustained growth, even

allowing for the inevitable cyclical slowdown and an en-

vironment of higher interest rates already mentioned. How-

ever, it is abundantly clear that growth rates more in

keeping with our potential can no longer be sustained

without greatly accelerating the participation of all popu-

lation groups in the economic process in the widest sense. Increasing employment at the lowest level remains an

important means of spreading the benefits of economic growth, but heightened awareness of manpower limitations and the evolving labour dispensations have thrown

employer, employee and the country into a development

Attention was drawn in my review last year to the con-

straints on economic growth Imposed by South Africa's critical shortage of skilled labour. Since then there has been

at R80.5 million at December 31 1980.

in the second half of the seventies.

ECONOMIC REVIEW

on of an 80 per cent equity interest costing R6.7

er of electronic control systems and equipment. In on, capital expenditure by the operating subsidiaries

ng exports was more than taken up by higher demand from local markets and plants generally operated at a high level of capacity utilisation.

The final dividend was increased by 25 cents to 97.5

Its precise value cannot yet

be calculated but is estimated at 233p a share. Once the offer goes through some of First Guernsey's assets will be realized to help Sturla with its leasing business and with further acquisitions in the financial services field or in related activities.

First Guernsey has now asked the Stock Exchange to relist its shares. It has also announced figures, which show a pretax profit for 1980 of £33,302 against £31,255 the year before. Net asset value was given as 225p.

Anglo American Industrial Corporation Limited

Review by the Chairman Mr. G. W. H. Relly

for the year ended 31 December, 1980

GROUP HIGHLIGHTS

Ordinary shareholders' funds 8000

Including share of retained profits of associated companies — cents excluding share of retained profits

of associated companies - cents

Net asset value per sharet - cents

Number of shares in issue-000 ...

"The policy of equity accoming for associated companies was introduced in 1950. For comparative purposes the 1979 financial results have been restated accordingly.

Associated companies and investments at market or directors'

some progress and a milestone in enabling legislation has

opened up the formal apprenticeship system to all race

To date the numbers of new apprenticeship applications

from blacks remain small totalling only 200 of approxi-

mately 10,000 contracts registered annually. Obviously it

will take a number of years before blacks enter industry on any scale as skilled artisans and many industries, including those in which Amic's companies are active, have had to resort to the overseas recruitment of artisans, and other

skilled labour. If, in the future, we are to meet our skilled

labour requirements from the local labour market, there can be no doubt that the present training efforts of South African companies will have to be vastly improved.

1980 has witnessed the registration of 12 new unions

catering for blacks, as well as the accession of four of these

unions to industrial councils, while further legislation is expected in the second half of 1981 which will extend to

A number of employees have expressed concern at the delays involved in the registration process for new black

trade unions, which inhibits involvement of these unions in the industrial council collective bargaining system. This system has the important feature of allowing for unitary

collective bargaining at an industry level even where a

number of trade unions are active in the industry. Another

disturbing feature of 1930 has been the tendency of un-

registered black unions to gain recognition from particular

companies and to engage in collective bargaining directly with these companies. This trend is likely to continue unless black unions can gain relatively tapid access to industrial council-based collective bargaining and it is imperative that administrative procedures should be streamlined to facilitate

However, under difficult circumstances radical and lim-

portant developments have taken place in the industrial

relations field. In the short run South African industry will

no doubt experience problems in adjusting as will the trade unions. For the longer term a sound basis for development

it is unlikely that the rate of economic growth achieved in

11 is difficely that the rate of economic grown achieved in 1930 can be maintained in the coming year. Possible lower gold price levels, coupled with rising imports and higher interest rates, are likely to prove inhibiting factors, while the authorities are devoting increasing attention to ways and

budgeting for increased earnings, but it is unlikely to

achieve the same rate of profit growth in 1981 as in the

The operating subsidiaries have budgeted for further

major capital expenditure in 1981, and capital of R111.6

million had been committed for this purpose by December

31 1980. Work is proceeding on Scaw's new bar and section mill, costing R27 million, and Mondi's fifth paper machine, pulping plant and new boiler complex, are so

duled for completion during the year at a total cost of R83

million. Boart has planned to spend R31.5 million of which approximately 50 per cant is marked for new developments

and expansion of its local and international operations.

Bruynzeel Holdings expects to spend R17.5 million on

modernising and increasing capacity at various operations

and on the installation of a medium-density fibreboard

plant. The group's financial position is sound and it is

expected that this planned high level of capital expenditure can be financed from profit retentions and the group's

The 17th annual general meeting of Angle American

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Choice of sterling for gold futures defended

By Michael Prest Commodities Correspondent

Despite the criticism from some quarters that greeted the decision to denominate the pro-posed gold futures contract in sterling, the market's formation committee reiterated at its meeting last Friday that the pound was the right currency.

The committee's argument is that sterling will provide the biggest market. It is a leading currency in which many investors do business. Some investors in the existing gold mar-kets, which use dollars, switch their deals into sterling.

The committee also believes

that local currency gold contracts have succeeded around the world whereas dollar ones have worked only in America. A sterling contract, moreover, will provide a different market with significant arbitrage opportunities.

While the committee does not

partment of the Environment releases figures for housing starts and completions for Febfeel that a dollar market would flop in London, it has been in-fluenced as well by the wide-spread use of the London Metal Transport & Trading today should make impressive reading with most analysts going for between £28m and £35m com-Exchange's sterling contracts. Indeed, it was at the suggestion of an LME member that the London Gold Market, which had considered opening its own dollar futures market, looked

again at the currency question.
Unless the committee's reaffirmation of its decision meets strong opposition the two principal steps to opening the market are settling the contract details and reaching agreement the International Com modities Clearing House, which is most likely to handle the

contracts.
Until the ownership of the ICCH is sorted out there can be little progress. But unless there are unexpected delays it is still possible that the market will start trading in June.

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over a decade Britain's biggest insurance brokers, the so-called "broker barons", are preparing to do battle to retain control of

Ladbroke this week an-nounces its first set of annual profits since the group sold off

its casino interests. Other

groups reporting full-year figures this week include Ocean Transport & Trading, Reckitt & Colman and Babtock

On the economic front, the

City will have its first chance

since the Budget of assessing

the public sector borrowing re-quirement when the Bank of England releases the fourth

quarter figures tomorrow along

with the money supply.

Later today, the CEI releases

its monthly trends survey for March along with the quarterly analysis of bank advances from

On Wednesday the Depart-

ment of Energy announces its advance energy statistics for February followed on Thursday

by the United Kingdom official reserves for March from the

Treasury and capital issues and

redemptions during March from the Bank of England.

Finally on Friday, the De-

Full-year figures from Ocean

the Bank of England

International

ing in the face of recommendations emerging from the two most prestigious and far-reaching inquiries into Lloyd's affairs since the war.

First in 1970, the Cromer Report came to the view that "a substantial body of opinion at Lloyd's believes that broker at Lloyd's believes that broker control is undesirable and should be discouraged, if not brought to an end. There is a conflict of interest which cannot be ignored ". Although wide-ranging discussions followed, the Cromer Report disappeared virtually without trace.

Then last May a report by a

A broker ferrying business to the market could, for example, put pressure on an example, put pressure un an underwriting syndicate under his control to write business at lower than prudent rates. Con-versely, he could act against the interest of his client by placing business with his own syndicate when better rates

of underwriting interests.

Most of Sir Henry's proposals have since been embodied in a designed to tighten up

Briefing

This week

ed with last year's target of

£16m. As a result most are expecting a 10 per cent increase

in the final dividend, which in

1979 stood at 6.57p gross.

The recent strength in bulk freight rates should have helped

and the group ought to have done well from the upturn in

Its interests in the United States will also show a marked

improvement with the group importing large amounts of coal from that part of the world.

maintained its upward trend, making another valuable contri-

bution to profits, and trading

in Nigeria is reported to be

The continued strength of sterling has posed several large headaches for Reckitt & Colman

the food and household goods

giant. Pretax profits on Wed-

nesday are likely to be down

from £52m to between £45m

and £49m. At the interim stage

profits before tax fell to £22.7m

from £252m after continued

destocking in the United King-

dom grocery trade.

going according to plan.

Overseas Containers will have

the freight market generally.

Lloyd's archaic regulatory and disciplinary mechanisms which had a successful second-reading in the Commons, last week.

brokers as much as the brokers need Lloyd's.

there is more at stake than these profits. Their very involvement at the underwriting end of Lloyd's gives them a cachet in world insurance markets which has in recent years them head and shoulders put them head and shoulders above most overseas operators.
It is an involvement they do intend to surrender lightly.

Mr Kenneth Grob, for example, outspoken chief of Alexander Howden, which last year made around a quarter of its £20m profits at Lloyd's, spelt out his views on diverment loud and clear last week.

market is likely to be more than pleased. With its casino

interests now well out of the

Mr Grob's view is that the thousand or more underwriting "names" who belong to Howden syndicates would be "hor-rified" if they thought the operations were to be sold off, to outsiders who would almost certainly lack the professional skills built up by firms like his own over several decades.

A recently formed association A recently formed association set up to represent the interests of the 16,000 underwriting names, who do not actually work in the market, is still fighting for full-blooded divestment. And two "names" are petitioning against the Bill in Parliament on this and other

So far, however, only a few hundred names have answered the new association's call to ozing confidence that the vast majority of "names" will take a look at the cheques they have received in recent years and happily too the brokers' line. At the same time it does

seem certain that Lloyd's new ruling council to be set under the Bill will be sufficiently aware of outside pressures to separate brokers and under-writers, possibly by the creation of separate boards.

This is the view of Mr Ian Posgate, a director of Alexander Howden. As a Lloyd's man through and through he is in favour of divestment as the real long-term solution. But he claims to have no difficulty in claims to have no difficulty in at the same time holding to the Howden group philosophy "that the present relationship is super".

His view is that divestment will fall by the wayside, but that Lloyd's will act to create a formula which at least allows that two sides of the equation acting independently.

upset the group with its over-seas trade accounting for 80 Ladbroke now ranks as Brit-In spite of the problems the ain's fifth largest hotelier and group is expected to maintain the profit contribution this time the dividend which last year should be well up on last year's fin. Betting has had another Babcock International's fullsuccessful season owing to the year statement is likely to make stable weather and should also depressing reading with estiproduce another record contrimates ranging from £10m to £18m compared with £32m last time. Nevertheless, with the interim dividend maintained

The group's property interests are now valued at more than £100m and are likely to make a final contribution this time around of £5m. Further improved contributions can also be expected from its remaining interests, including social clubs, machine hire, holidays and eering industry but also a

retail Hi-Fi.
A total dividend payout of
19.3p gross can be expected,
compared with 16.78p last fried severe downturn in activity in its United States operations, which last year accounted for more than 50 per cent of TODAY: Interims: Blue Bird Confectionery, Emess Lighting, Some recovery is expected Newman-Tonks Group, and Scorrisb Cities Investment Trust. Finals: Arncliffe Holdoverall in 1981 but the balance sheet remains weak and extra ings, Charterhouse Group, Energy Finance & General Trust, Federated Land, Free cash may be called for at some

While full-year profits from Lafbroke on Thursday will show a fall from £49m, to between £35m and £40m, the mans (London SW9), Low and Bonar, Ocean Transport & Bonar, Ocean Transport Trading, and H. & J. Quick. TOMORROW: Interims: Amalgamated . Estates, Burndene Investments, Charterhall, Lake & Elliot, and Trident Tele-But it was the high level of way the group has wasted no sterling last year that most time in investing the money

Marked upturn expected for Ocean Transport gained from its casino sales vision. Finals: American Transition other profitable sectors of Appleyand Group, Booker & Connell. Bund Pulp & Pan Cape Industries, Dufay Bi mastic, F.C. Finance, and I

Land and Ofrex. WEDNESDAY : Interims : N. announced. Finals: Babo International, Guardian Ro International, Guerdian Ro Exchange Insurance, Hilt Footwear, Legal & Gene MacFarlane Group (Clansur Molins, Phicam, Pimenix As ance, Reckitt & Colman, Spi Control Colman, Spi Sarco Engineering. Sun A

ance & London Insurance Weir Group. THURSDAY: Interims: 1 gess Products, and City of I don Brewery & Investm Trust (third quarter). Fin: Arcolectric, Bridons, Brunt (Musselburgh), Carpets In national, Carron Co (Holdin Grampian Holdings, House Lerose, Ladbroke Group 1 nolia Group (Mouldings), Morrison Supermarkets, ambe. Queens Moat Hou and Austin Reed Group. FRIDAY: Interims; Ra

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steel crisis

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Publication of a report*

the performance of the is pendent steel companies o

the past four years has und lined the lepth of the cr that the steel industry

experiencing and which become even more severe o

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with the average return capital amounting to only

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The first of the phoenix je

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two under a new compt Allied Steel and Wire-

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By Peter Hill

achieved.

Idustrial Editor

'Broker barons' prepare for Lloyd's battle

their lucrative underwiting interests in the Lloyd's insurance market.

It is a battle that few doubt they will win in the end even, though the brokers will be fly-

working party under former High Court Judge, Sir Henry Fisher, commissioned in the wake of a series of damaging scandals at Lloyd's, concluded that potential and even "known" abuses were made "known" abuses were made possible by close links that existed between brokers and underwriters.

vere available elsewhere. Sir Henry's committee, as

part of its wide-ranging suggestions for improvements in self-regulation in the market, urged that within a five-year time period all brokers should be forced to divest themselves

per cent of sales.

grew to 7.14p gross.

of 5.14p gross.

profits.

analysis are not expecting any

reduction in the final payment

The group had to contend

with not only the recession in

the United Kingdom engin-

But proposals on divestment

are conspicuously absent.

The existing Lloyd's committee has in fact given as assurance that the issue will not be allowed to fall away as it did after Cromer, but it already seems likely that an eventual decision will drop well short of divestment.

The reason in part is that the 20,000 people who put up security to back insurances written in the market need the

The eight largest Lloyd's brokers, most of them publicly quoted groups, provide around three-fifths of the market's come. These same firms own or partially own the managing seencies which in turn control almost half the market's underwriting capacity. Commission earnings from Lloyd's underwriting activities account for more than 5 per cent of the brokers' total earnings and up to 25 per cent in some cases. But to the firms involved

"The whole thing is so incredibly stupid that only Lloyd's could do it," he said



Richard Allen The Lutine bell: divestment

Insurance Correspondent battleground.

Beneficiaries of dockland projects

This year will see the start of important redevelopment proects along London's empty locklands to the east of Tower Bridge. Despite the continuing conflict between builders and local authorities, the develop-ments are planned for a depth of about 11 miles on both river banks and offer enormous com-mercial attractions for both builders and City businesses in

need of office space. factories and the environmental problems of inadequate road, rail and underground links and Thames flood risks. In a report published last Friday, Mr Keith Crawford of W. Greenwell, looks at some of these problems and the commercial advantages to the developers most likely to

row's redevelopment at St Lysander consortium, including Katherine's Dock-still five years from completion-had been the only project to take

But Mr Crawford points to

Control of the Contro Brokers' views

riding authority and is vigor-ously opposed by local authorities. Within its planning

boundaries the corporation is

likely to have the most valuable sites—the 22 acres at hay's Wharf owned by the

Kuwait Investment Office, the

Surrey Docks leased to the

Companies with the most rig-

nificant exposure to dockland projects are Taylor Woodrow, Town and City Properties, Car-

ron Holdings, Costain and Ham-merson Property, MEPC, and Capital and Counties. Others

are contractors such as Henry

Costain.

THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF TH second time round" projects killed off in the mid-seventies' development debacle
The new London Urban Docklands Development Corporation, which is expected to be entrancised by late-summer by Parliament, would be the over-

At stake is the actual mix of buildings required in replacing acres of derelict wharves and 50 acres to the east of St Katherine's Dock leased by Tower Hamlets Council and others, and 120 acres in the Until recently Taylor Wood-

about a dozen quoted companies that are already committed to form of property develop-Many of these are

Boot Construction, Brent Wal-ker, Tarmac and Laing. On these assumptions Greenwell recommends Taylor Wood row as a buy at a share price of 523p. It also recommends Town and City Properties as a speculative buy at 31p, and holding or buying shares in Carron. The commercial pressures are strong both from the present excess demand for office space

from City concerns—three leading banks have recently signed up for space outside the square mile-and from the building industry, which needs work. Several broking firms have been looking at companies that have reported recently and shown particular signs of re-covery. Capel-Cure Myers recommends Waring & Gillow on the grounds that the furniture retailer shows considerable growth potential

Although the recent poor figures were expected the broker believes that now that it is rid of its loss-making clothing business and after its decision to withdraw from manufacturing the group should recover this

Margareta Pagano

Briefly

Standard Industrial Group : Sales Standard Industrial Group: Sales revenue for the half-year to December 31 slipped from £4.53m to £4.12m, but pretax profits tumbled from £225,000 to just 10,000.

Record Ridgway (subsidiary of Bahto): Sales for year to September 28, 1980, £20.81m (£20.65m).

Pretax loss, £262,000, against a pretax profit of £228 (000) against a pretax profit of £228 (000) against a

Pretax loss, £262,000, against a pretax profit of £238,000 last year. Cray acquisition: Cray Electronics has acquired Capacity Engineering (Tools), an unlisted, privately-owned company engaged in the merchanding of a wide range of engineers' tools. The total consideration was £84,030, equivalent to the land of the present the land of the present to the land of the land

sideration was £84.030, equivalent to the value of the assets transferred.
Catalin: Group turnover for 1980, £7.42m (£9.37m). Loss, before taxend extraordinary item, £3.6,000 (profil. £425,000). No dividend (against 5.59 gross last time). Midland News Association: Pretax profits for 1980 (£3.2 weeks) was £2.28m (£2.65m for 52 weeks). Joseph Hoyle & San (subsidier) of was £3.28m (£2.65m for 32 weeks).
Joseph Hoyle & Son (subsidiary of Lister): Turnover for half-year to September, 1980, £2.26m (£3.77m).
Pretax locs, £98.000 (loss, £53.000).
Edward Le Bas ("uhsidiary of Burch Holdings): Turnover for 1980, £16.95m (£16.55m). Pretax profits, £279.000 (£347.000).
Firmin & Sons: Turnover for 1980. £2.21m (£1.94m). Pretax profits, £334.000 (£378.000). Total dividend, 5p gross (against 4.23p last time).

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An architect's impression of one of the possible schemes for Hay's Wharl,

phase which cannot be reversed.

LABOUR AND PRODUCTIVITY

etback at lome Counties lewspapers

mon-based Home Counties mspapers saw pre-tax profits tolle from 11.3m to 1402,000 1980. Turnover rose from Sm to 110.6m. But the final out of 6.78p means the fulldividend is maintained

his year has started badly, h management accounts
wing a loss for the first two nths which is described as at unexpected." Redundanee plants and further econy measures are being imple-

oomy outlook at ombwell Foundry

Vith the pre-tax loss for the feeds to January 31 almost bled to £484,000 (against \$,000), the board of Womb-(I) Foundry and Engineering one; paying an interim divi-it. Shareholders received an erim of 0.53p gross last time, no final. The chairman, Mr L. Bramah, says there is no dence that conditions are proving.

Lagrage allan-Glenlivet Rects downturn

Banffshire-based Macallan-enlivet, the Highland malt isky distillers, managed to 155.000 to £235.000 in the 15.000 to £235.000 in the 15.000 to £235.000 in the 15.000 to January 31, 1981, turnover up from £1.78m £2.08m. But the board says it the profit improvement s obtained in spite of a sharp waturn in trade in the last weeks of the period, a waturn which is expected to ntinue for the remainder of \$1 and be reflected in lower

airview Estates ell placed

With turnover down from 5.4m to £11.73m, pre-tax pros at Fairview Estate con-icted from £4.8m to £2.7m in a half-year to December 31. the recent reductions in erest rates bring some confince back to the country in neral, the board tells shareiders, Fairview's industrial d commercial division is well rced to take advantage, as it lds a good stock of sites for th office and moustra office and industrial use

igger deficit or Lister

In the six months to Septemr 27, 1980, the pre-tax loss at Lister group of textile mufacturers widened from 41,000 to £767,000 on turner down from £19.49m to

ividend cut by vis Gordon

Luis Gordon Group slumped im £475,000 to £50,000, but board explains that it feels right to pay a dividend and e of 0.71p gross is recomnded, compared with 2.14p t year. Turnover was down m £16.09m to £14.55m.

Strike expected to have little effect | Western

While the strike by United States miners, which started on Friday, is expected to be a short-lived affair, it is subject In a 10-day ratification period. Providing all goes well, the strike is likely to end about the middle of this week and will therefore cause no heating up of the freight market. In any Case, the stocks at the loading facilities were high so a long facilities were high so a long strike would be required before shipping attangements were hit.

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News of the tentative settlement was a sufficient source of relief to encourage a return of inquiries from Japanese and continental charterers. Over recent weeks, against the threat of the strike, these had turned their attention to South Africa their attention to South Africa and Australia as alternative sources of supply. Not only was there interest in fixtures last week but also some new business was concluded. Among this was a spot booking by Shell for a 90,000-tonner from Hampton Roads to the continent at \$11.25.

Apart from coal, strong in-terest has been evident in North American grain with fixings both to Europe and the Far East. Across the Atlantic several bookings involving vessels of 53,000 to 73,000 several bookings involving tonnage booked by Chi vessels of 53,000 to 73,000 Bulgarian, Portuguese tonnes were completed at a South Korean charterers,

Freight

The transfer of the state of th

steady level of \$17 to \$17.25. From the United States Culf to China \$40.50 to \$42.75 was paid for shipments of 34,000 tonnes and 26,000 tonnes respectively.

Brokers supported a fair volume of inquiry for tonnage to ship grain from the River Plate to Europe as well as for further vessels for cargoes from North America to the Middle East and north Africa.

The Great Lakes season has now begun with the opening of the St. Lawrence Source but

the St Lawrence Sesway, but after several bookings over recent weeks new business in the past seven days has been slow to emerge. A few fixtures were rumoured, however, in-cluding the charter of a 26,000tonner to the continent at \$9,000 a day.

Time chartering ended the week on a busier note having experienced a generally quiet time. The late revival included tonnage booked by Chinese. Bulgarian, Portuguese and

The slight improvement that had become discernible in VLCC rate levels continued through last week. A VLCC westbound can now expect to secure between WS 27 and WS 29.6, according to speed. Whether the slow upward movenaent rates will continue is any-body's guess. Owners resistant to the lower rates that prevailed in earlier weeks plus a drop in the amount of relets tonnage are claimed to be the reasons behind the 2-3-point rise in

VI.CC levels.
In spite of this the tanker markets still have nothing to get excited about. With the arrival of spring the market still has to face high stocks, a recession causing a decline in consumption and a surplus of available tonnage. In the Gulf alone some 30 UL/VLCs are reported to be awaiting cargoes, nor to mention several others slow steaming or wairing in

Some owners have begun to return their vessels into layup but there is still a long way to go before sufficient tonnage is idle to see the return of profit-

David Robinson

Business appointments

Directors named at John Laing

Mrs Sam Harrington has joined the board of Mountvale, a subsidiary of Emray.

Mr Michael May has been elected president of the Builders' Benevolent Institution for 1981-82. He is the chairman of Killby and Gayford.

Mr Eric G. Everett and Mr Garth M. Ramsay have been appointed non-executive directors of British Underwater Engineering.

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Mr Barry Eames has been promoted to the post of vice-president of European operations, Northern Telecom, Electronic Office Systems, which in Europe is known as Data 100.

Mr Edward White has been appointed finance director of Christian Salvesen in place of Mr J. M. Barber who has become chairman and managing director of Christian Salvesen (Food Services).

vices).

Mr lan W. Reeves has been appointed chairman of High-Point Services Group after the resigna-tion of Mr F. S. Pardoe, Mr Reeves and Mr Robert V. Wharton will be joint managing directors.

Mr Reeves also takes over from

Mr Pardoe as chairman of CTMS.

He and Mr R. V. Wharton again
will be joint managing directors.

Pilco raises interim dividend

In spite of difficult conditions, Pifco Holdings managed to achieve similar results in the half-year to October 31, In 1980, the pre-tax profits of 1980, from higher sales. Pretax profits were up from £656,000 to £692,000, including investment iucome of £177,000, against £171,000. The interim payment is being lifted from 2.25p to 2.51p gross, but the board views the future with "continued caution".

Mr R. Pawsey becomes a Joint managing director and Mr K. J. Gilder, Mr P. E. T. Spencer, and Mr J. M. K. Laing become directors of John Laing Construction. Mr Reg Bamber has become National Westminster Bank's representative in Moscow. He has been manager at the bank's Deptford branch, London, since 1974.

Mrs Sam Harrington has joined the board of Mountvale, a subsidiary of Emray.

Mr Michael May has been elected president of the Builders' Benevolent Institution for 1981-82. He is the chairman of Killby and Gayford.

Mr Eric G. Everett and Mr Garth M. Ramsay have been for the company's deputy chairman, Mr Wharton, Other appointments to the board of CTMS are ments to the board of CTMS are ments to the board of CTMS are maned assistant managing director of High-Point Contract Services, and Mr R. M. Dorman, director and general manager of CTMS (Far East), and Mr I. S. Findlay, the group financial controller, are named divisional directors of CTMS.

Mr Hiroshi Katsuta bas joined

Mr Hiroshi Katsuta bas joined the board of Drayton Far Eastern Mr J. P. MacArthur becomes a non-executive director of Clive Discount Holdings on April 1. He succeeds Mr M. C. Kawlence who

retires as a non-executive director on March 31.
Mr John Beck has been appointed a director of Miller Buckley

Construction.

Mr John Manfield Blake have been appointed a non-executive director of Spring Grove Services.

Mr John Boog, general manager of the consultancy service of the Post Office, is to become Telecom director of overseas liaison and consultancy next month.

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Mr Richard Price has been appointed director of regional affairs at the Confederation of British Industry.

Mr P. R. P. Chadwick has been appointed to the board of J. Hepworth and Son.

Mr M. E. McConnell is appointed to the board of Stewart Wrightson Holdings.

Mr Michael S. Harvey has been appointed to the boards of Robt. Bradford & Co. and Robt. Bradford Hobbs Saviii.

Mr David Helliwell has been appointed mational sales manager of Tibbett & Britten.

Mr R. J. Legg has been appointed personnel director of Rumbe-

Mr R. J. Legg has been appointed personnel director of Rumbelows as from April 1.

Mr Bryan Hildraw has been elected charman and Mr G. J. Mortimer vice chairman of the Council of Engineering Institutions for 1931-1982.

Mr W. H. Taylor has been appointed a director of Terra Nova Insurance Company.

Mr Philip Restaino, who held the position of director of marketing, Cough Cold Products, for Bristol-Myers in New York, becomes director of its consumer division, succeeding Mr Gerry Beddall who becomes executive vice president of Clairol Canada, Mr Bill Boysen, formerly manager of financial analysis with the outer Europe and Australasia division, hecomes financial director. Mr John Jackson, financial director for the past three years, has been appointed director of the pharmaceutical division, replacing Mr Pieter Geuze, who has returned to New York to develop the international business.

Mr Leon Levy, chairman of the

mational business.

Mr Leon Levy, chairman of the board of Oppenheimer (Holdings) Inc., has been appointed as a non-executive director of Electra lovestment Trust.

Mr Keith Williams has joined the board of Roger Malcolm Ltd 188 a non-executive director.

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as a non-executive director.
Mr D. S. Winterbottom, group
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been appointed company secretary
of Evode Holdings.
Prutec, the company established
by Prudential Assurance in association with PA International has
announced that its directors are:
Dr Derek Allam, chief executive,
Mr Ronald Artus, chairman, Mr
Gordon Edge, Mr James Findlay. Gordon Edge, Mr James Findiay, Professor Sir Hugh Ford, Mr Peter Lawson, Sir Icuan Maddock, Mr Brian Medhurst, deputy chairman and Professor Sir Peter Swinner-

and Professor Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer.

Dr J. V. Butcher becomes managing director of Yorkshire Chemicals with effect from July 1.

Mr S. Adam has been appointed
to the board of Rosebaugh.

Mr D. W. J. Garrett, Mr N. T.
Sibley and Mr P. A. Wichelow become directors of Robt Fleming
Holdings. Mr J. D. Drysdale and
Mr R. Templeton become directors
of Robert Fleming and Co. Messrs
P. A. Barushaw, P. G. Brealey,
A. A. Clark and L. H. Jones become directors of Rebtr Fleming
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Mr Frank Bolteux has been appointed deputy managing director of UPC Exhibitions and IPC Conferences, subsidiary companies of IPC Business Press. Mr Chris Timmins and Mr Len Marvelly, exhibition organizers in IPC Exhibitions, have been appointed executive directors.

Motor omits payout for second year

By Our Financial Staff Western Motor Holdings, the Plymouth-based motor trade group, has again passed the final dividend on a pre-tax loss last year of £316,000. At the halfway stage the group made a profit of £320,000 profit of £340,000.

This is the second year that the group has reported fulltime losses, after showing a profit for the first six months. In 1979 the group went into the red by £366,000. Shareholders have received no dividend pay-ment for almost 18 months. The last payout was a gross 1428p announced with the 1979 interim figures.

Western Motor, which distri-butes, sells and stores a wide range of British cars including Rolls-Royce, Bentley, Triumph, Royer, Austin-Morris and MG, has recently bought a Datsun

main dealership.
Turnover for 1980 rose from £31.5m to £36.1m and depreciation from £986,000 to £1.1m. The group's interest charge was up by 78.4 per cent to £1.32m and an extraordinary debt of £230,000, against a credit last time of £4.513, brought the attributable loss to slightly over \$500,000 against \$320,000 last

Mr James Smyth, chairman, says in a statement which accompanied the results that in common with all sections of the motor industry the com-pany had a most difficult year. The pattern experienced in previous years of profits in the first balf of the year and losses in the second half has been repeated, he says, "The losses result from a substantial decrease in the throughput of the car delivery division and

Mr Smyth says that it has been necessary to reduce man-ning levels in both these divisions and certain loss-making activities have been terminated. However, Mr Smyth says the group's first venture into the leisure industry with the £250,000 acquisition of Derbyshire Holiday Centre, Rhyl, has produced a "satisfactory

reduced margins on the retail motor trade operations", he

New Orleans exchange For almost 100 years cotton futures were traded in New Commodities

From Anthony Hilton

Orleans. Then in the mid-1960s, after a long struggle against dwindling membership and lack of investor interest, the exchange closed its doors. But next week, on April 7, the clock will be turned back and a new commodity exchange will open in a fine old building just a two-minute walk from New Orleans's famous French quarter and a stone's throw from the wharves and barges on the Mississippi.

It is just the latest example of the tremendous interest in futures trading which has been prompted by volatile exchange rates and persistent inflation. And it is also a sign of the times that the men behind this venture are convinced they will turn this into one of the world's key commodity markets in as little as three to five years.

New Orleans Commodity Exchange's president, Mr Thomas Webber, a 15-year veteran on the Chicago commodity pits, says quite bluntly hat he expects New Orleans to that he be number three or four in America by about 1985. That puts it still behind the two Chicago commodity exchanges but shead of one or all of the New York markets—which may come as something of a sbock

to the brokers up north, Obviously on the eve of the launth Mr Webber is bound to be optimistic, but even so, there are sound reasons why his exchange could succeed, even if not as drametically as he pre-dicts. Chief among these is the care that has gone into selecting the contracts, all of which are original and none of which is traded elsewhere.

Typical are two grain contracts, rough rice and milled rice. Although this is the world's second largest food grain after wheat and the United States is one of the world's leading producers, no exchange in the world offered ber says it looks like an obvi-ous gap in the markets.

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Promising resurrection for

ing. Though soyabeans can be traded in Chicago, the New Orleans contract will be different as it is designated in export, not domestic, prices. This can only grow, Mr Webber says, because world demand for sovabeans is soaring. The United States is an important producer, and the bulk of the exports go through New Orleans. The other leading producer is Brazil, where the soya crop is now worth more than coffee, and this accounts for the unusual feature of the exchange the clocks give Rio de

laneiro time. The cotton contract is also different. It is in short staple cotton, the type grown in America's south, while New York trades the long grain cotton grown in California and Arizona. The New York cotton contract has not been a great success but southern weather is much less predictable than that of California, and as a result prices of this type of cotton are more likely to fluctuate. The bulk of the people deal-ing on and running the ex-change have had to be impor-

ted from markets elsewhere, and in layout with its "pits" and "open outery" bidding system the market looks like smaller, cleaner version of the Chicago Board of Trade. "We are using tested methods of trading", Mr Webber says. "We were not going to be first to try to use computers."

In his view the exchange will succeed because New Orleans is one of the leading ports in the world, which means it has strong support from local commercial and industrial firms, most of which have a history of dealing in the physicals. The contracts were designed only after lengthy consultation with the trade and for the trade. Accordingly be expects partici-pation in the market from the whole spectrum of interests— exporters, importers, commer-Much the same can also be cial grain companies, merchan-said of the other contracts which disers, commission houses, pro-

will give the market the liquid-ity and depth it needs to get off the ground.

But it is not what will propei should come on stream in the the market to the number three weeks after the official open-slor in the nation. That will ing. Though soyabeans can be come from phase two of Mr Webber's plan, which is to-launch an energy package. Again, he thinks this is a natural development following from the business New Orleans does importing much of America's oil, coupled with its plans to become the world's

number one coal-exporting port. Mr Webber has already applied for permission to launch a series of contracts in home hearing oil, coal, diesel fuel, natural gas, and (probably Saudi light) crude oil. Taken together they will make up what he calls a comprehensive energy package,

Silver: Some familiar voices are being raised in the silver market again, Michael Prest writes. Despite pressure from Congressman Henry Reuss, the Hunt brothers seem to be in no hurry to unload their silver in the orderly fashion apparently prescribed in their famous loan agreement.

At the same time another legislator. Congressman Larry McDonald, has introduced a Bill that would require the Government to buy more silver for its stockpile rather than sell the almost 140m ounces that an administration Bill proposes. With silver trading at be-tween \$13 and \$14 an ounce in is still well below the \$23 an ounce at which the Hunts are understood to have to sell. The terms of the agreement be-tween the silver bulls and the banks are not fully known, however, and that is another factor giving longs some restless moments.
The Hunts' strong card could

be that in a pretty depressed market any big selling—how-ever "orderly"—must send prices plummeting. Silver stocks are rising at the moment. With the Hunts resisting in the courts further investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission, we will hear more voices vet.

Weekly list of fixed interest stocks

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THE HALIFAX **BUILDING SOCIETY**

Notice to the Society's Investors

Variation of Interest Rates

The Society will pay the undermentioned rates of interest on the following kinds of investments:-Paid-Up Shares -£8.50 per cent per annium

Deposits -£8.25 per cent per annum Monthly Savings - £9.75 per cent per annum The rate of interest on Term Shares, Subscription

Shares, Matured Subscription Shares and Cardcash

Accounts will be reduced by £0.75 per cent per annum. These rates will not apply to investors whose balances exceed the limits agreed with the Inland Revenue, or to investments held by a limited company, corporate body or discretionary or accumulating trust. For these accounts in the Paid-Up Share and Deposit departments the rate of interest will be £7.75 per cent per annum. For these accounts in other departments the current rate of interest will be reduced by £1.00 per

cent per annum. The new rates will apply

immediately to accounts opened on or after 1st April 1981

on and after 1st May 1981 to accounts open at the end of March 1981

Details of the rates of interest payable on investments in all departments will be available at branches and agencies before 1st April 1981.

This notice is given under the Society's Rules.

Note: For the information of all the Society's members, the rates of interest charged on mortgage accounts open at the end of March 1981 will be reduced by 1% per annum on 1st May 1981. Further details (including the rates payable by option mortgage borrowers) will be given to individual borrowers as soon as practicable.

Trinity Road, Halifax

March 1981

Lack of agreement on interest rate levels

Investors and borrowers in the international dollar bond market generally are not seeing eye-to-eye about what interest rate levels are appropriate tor new issues, writes AP/Dow-lanes

A syndicate led by Credit Suisse-First Boston had to postpone a \$100m seven-year note issue of Chemical Bank because of disagreement over the terms. Syndicate sources said that Chemical Bank had declined to increase the yield much above the originally indicated level of the originally indicated level of 13.75 per cent. However, with the market deteriorating because of rising short-term interest rates, a much higher yield would have been needed

to sell the issue, investment bankers said.

"There is strong investor resistance to new issues except those with manfiestly attractive coupon rates", one observer

Indeed, some bankers contend that most of a \$75m eight-year note issue of the Euro-pean Investment Bank was left with the underwriters because the terms were not attractive enough. After being priced at 94.63 hearing 12.75 per cent to yield 13.90 per cent at maturity, the issue fell to 91.25 last Friday. This raised the yield to about 14.68 per cent.

Euromarkets

several bankers said the pricing was realistic. The 14 per cent coupon issue was priced at 98.5 to yield 14.39 per cent. In the aftermarket, the issue was quoted at 97 bid, 97.50 offered. A \$50m, 10 year bond of issue

of Genstar, a Canadian construc-tion and shipping company, was priced at 99 bearing 14.75 per cent to yield 14.95 per cent. Apparently the yield was not quite enough to pull in much investment demand. The issue traded as low as 96.50 before moving up to 97.25 in the after-market to 97.97.50.

Although there was not much enthusiasm for straight dollar debt offerings, a \$60m, 15-year convertible Eurobond issue of Hospital Corporation of America got a warm reception, syndicate sources reported. Salomon Brothers International, the syndi-cate manager, indicated that the cate manager, indicated that the issue would carry a coupon rate of between 8.75 per cent and 9.0 per cent. It also indicated that the issue would be convertible into the hospital chain's New York-listed shares at a premium of around 15 per cent. "A lot of the stock is held in Europe and people seem to A lot of the stock is held.

Rowever, while demand for a in Europe and people seem to be willing to sell the stock and Southern California Edison Co buy the bonds.", one banker was not particularly strong, reported.

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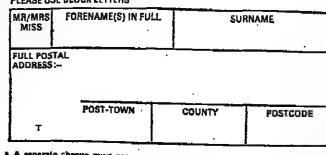
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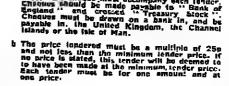
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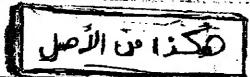
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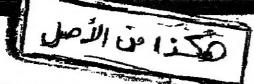
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eronica, played by Wanda Ventham (centre) is accused by er former friends Fiona (Zena Walker, right) and Caroline laine Donnelly) of assault, theft and blackmail in Crown ourt (ITV, 1.30pm)

The theory of evolution is the subject of Did Darwin Get It frong? tonight's offering from the consistently good Horizon 3BC 2, 9.30) Darwin's theory is based on the slow evolution of nimals over thousands of years, adapting to the climate and train they inhabit. This is contested by the Biblical Creationists ho say if that were true fossils should show signs of gradual hange and this they do not. Horizon explores an alternative volution theory termed punctuation equilibrium. This seeks to oplain the long periods in which species seem to remain stable at them suddenly change in a faster time than seemed possible, his has been recognized in fossils that have remained in their id then suddenly change in a laster time than scemed possible, his has been recognized in fossils that have remained in their signal form for millions of years on their unhurried way to clinction yet some of their number, seemingly to escape a similar ite, suddenly changed into new creatures. It is a complicated biect and it is a feather in the cap of Horizon to attempt an

eplanation.

Continuing his Roots of England series (BBC 2, 7.40 pm) Brian rueman visits Hull to talk to the dockers about their tough life tade even tougher by the lack of shipping utilising the porthese men are descended from families who came to Hull at the nd of the last century attracted there by the work provided in onstructing deep water docks. But today there is no constructing deep water docks. But today there is no codemisation planned for the port and the dwindling sea trade as meant that only the sons of old dockers are eligible to take teir father's place when they retire. They are bitter about the ast but fortunately they have a natural outlet for their subtrance in the city's two successful Rugby League teams—
ull and Kingston Royers. Support for one of these is prerequisite
it living in Hull and the fanaticism has in many cases split
milles, something that is unlikely to happen in other parts of the
nuntry, with the possible exceptions of Liverpool and anchester. Fiercely independent, as all Yorkshiremen seem to ,, the Hull dockers are a rare race apart.

i, the Hull dockers are a fare race apart. With the benign features of Sir Alec Guinness firmly implanted our minds as John Le Carre's hero George Smiley, it comes as a t of a shock to find this role being played in a radio adaptation the coraical spiv in ITV's Minder series, George Cole. The ory, A Murder of Quality (Radio 4, 6.30 pm) has been adapted for dio in five parts by Rene Basilico and it begins with Smiley wing recently retired from 'The Circus' being asked to use his at inconsiderable intellect to unravel a series of strange incidents a famous English public school. Norman Bowler co-stars as spector Righy.

Earlier in the afternoon Radio 4 presents the first of a six-part inputation of Conan Doyle's Study in Scarlet (4.45). First ablished nearly a century ago, it is the first of the olmes/Watson mysteries and it begins with their meeting which ads them to take rooms at 221B Baker Street. The story is read y Nigel Lambert as Dr Watson.

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Broadcasting Guide

Edited By Peter Dear

TELEVISION

BBC 1

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6.40 sm Open University: Cenetics: Meiosis; 7.05 Psychology; Questions of Behaviour; Closedown at 7.30.
9.40 For Schools, Colleges: Working as a Health Service Technician; 9.30 Physical Science; 9.52 Writing a best reflee; 10.15 Music Time; 10.40 French conversation: 11.00 Merrygo-Round. Tony Aitken reads the earth; 11.40 Art and War; Closedown at 12.55 pm.
12.45 News.
1.00 Pebble Mill at One. The popular magazine programme today includes an item on car maintenance introduced by Marian Foster; 1.45 Mister Men. Cartoon adventures of Mr Dizzy and Mr Greedy with the voice of Arthur Lowe.(r)
2.01 For Schools, Colleges: Words and Pictures; 2.18 The Bible and Archaeology; 2.40 The different john to be found at a motorway services area. The narrator is John Dunn. Closedown at 3.00.
3.15 Songs of Praise. Noreen Bray introduces the programme from St Asaph Cathedral, Clwyd (first shown yesterday at 6.40 pm); 3.55 Play School (shown earlier on BBC 2).
4.20 Winsome Witch. Our heroine fights the wicked Dr Zero in a cartoon enniled Shoo Spy(r); 4.25 Jackanory. Sheila Staefel reads the first part of Forrest Wilson's Super

6.40 am Open University: Strawberry Hill; 7.05 Lord Kelvin's Clock; 7.30 Potsdam 2: The Confrontation. Closedown at 7.55.

11.00 Play School. Entertainment for the under-Ss presented by Carol Chell and Ben Thomas. The story is Mary Cockett's Enough is Enough. Closedown at 11.25.

4.50 pm Open University: Classical Greece: The Theatre; 5.15 Dynamic Aspects of NMR; 5.40 Maths: Lagrange's Theorem; 6.05 M101/6 Rational Numbers; 6.30 Farming: Organic or Intensity

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6.55 Artists in Print, Ellen Kuhn
makes a screenprint and Gerd
Winner works with master printer
Chris Prater of Kelpra Studio. 7.20

Gran; 4.40 The All-New Papeye Show, Two more cartoon adventures featuring the pipe-smoking spinschlover(r); 5.00 John Craven's Newstond, World news for young people presented in an adult fashion. 5.05 Blue Peter. We see highlights of Peter Duncan's heroic efforts in yesterday's London marathon; a foretaste of the amazing juggling feats of the Flying Karamazov Brothers; and Percy Thrower in the Blue Peter garden; 5.35 Fred Basset. Cartoon adventures of a droll hound(r). return for a pardon Captain Kalch leads a disparate hand of trouble-makers to kill-off a group of renegade indians led by Chief Magnus Durango. 11.00 Film \$1. Barry Norman with the last in his series devoted to the world of cinema. Tonight he review the Royal Performance film, Char-

Cartoon adventures of a droil hound(r).

5.40 News read by Kenneth Kendall;
5.55 Nationwide. Regional news plus Hugh Scully's regular weekly look into complaints of bureaucratic abuse, Wanchdog.
6.55 Triangle. The penultimate pert in the serial that has followed the fortunes of a North Sea ferry crew;
7.20 Star Treek. Captain Kirk is mysteriously left alone on his starship when he tries to beam down on to the planet Gideon.

8.10 Panorama: Behind the Dublin Summit — The Inside Story. Peter Taylor probes the British government's policy after the aummit meeting between Mrs Thatcher and Mr Haughey.

9.00 News read by Jan Leeming.

9.25 Film: The Deserter (1971) starring Bekim Fehmin, John Huston and Chuck Connors. In

the Royal Performance film, Chariots of Fire and La Cage aux Follies
II. the sequel to the enormously
successful film about two gay St
Tropez night club owners. On
location Michael Crawford talks
about his new film Condoman in
which he plays a cartoonist who
tries to live like his characters. 11.30 Education Shop. The second in a series of eight programmes for parents of school-going children. Tonight's programme is entitled Is Small Beautiful? 11.55 News headlines and weather. Regions

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Cameo. Wild geose who have been wintering in our islands return to their nesting grounds in the Arctic circle at the first signs of Spring. The narrator is Douglas Leach.
7.30 News with a sub-titled synopsis for the hard-of-hearing.
7.40 Roots of England. Brian Trueman visits the city of Hull, famous for its two Rugby League teams and its docks. But the dockers' jobs are few and far between now and only the sons of dockers are allowed to join the long waiting list for a job (see Personal Choice). in restricting the height of an office block and he is interviewed by Sue Lawley when he visus a Children's City Farm.

3.30 Horizou: Did Darwin Get It Wrong? A look at the arguments for and against the theory of evolution. The narrator is Paul Vaughan (see Personal Choice).

10.20 Say it with Baby Grand. The bizarre Welsh band tonight bring an alternative view of the life style of a cowboy with help from their guest Andy Fairweather Low.

10.45 Newsnight. Peter Snow, Charles Wheeler, John Tusa and Peter Hobday with the latest news from around the world plus the news Waining use the a job (see Fersonal Choice).

6.15 Marti Caine. Her guests tonight are Tony Christie, Wall Street Crash and flautist Elena Durao.

9.00 Yes Minister. Jim Hacker's concern for the quality of life seems to be a vote winner. He is successful from around the world plus the news behind today's headlines. Linda Alexander and David Icke have news of the weather and sport. The programme ends at 11.35.

Thames

BBC 2

9.30 am For Schools: Understanding shapes; 9.47 A trip down the Rhine; 10.05 Rogues and villains in literature; 10.23 Simple mathematical concepts; 10.40 French conversation; Join the French holidaymakers at the seaside; 11.05 Berek Griffiths explains the properties of paper to deaf and hearing impaired children; 11.22 Picture Box — to stimulate creative work; 11.39 Continuing the drama about life in Victorian times for a doctor and his family.

family.

12.00 We'll Tell You a Story;
Christopher Lillicrap tells the tale of
Grandma Tomkins' Crown; 12.10 pm
Rainbow; Puppets for educational
purposes presented by Geoffrey
Hayes; 12.30 Vet; John Speer with
guests Jill Robertson, Dr Roger
Neale and Chief Inspector R.
Hayward look at the training of dogs
and the feeding and grooming of
pets.

News read by Peter Sissons; Thames News with Robin Houston.

1.30 Crown Court; A widow is accused of assault, theft and blackmail on another widow who welcomed her into her house; 2.00

The Riordans: Drama series about an Irish family in a farming community.

2.30 Film: Where Angels Go, Trouble Follows (1967). The story of a radical non (Stella Stevens) and the impact she has on her convent, mother superior (Rosalind Russell) and pupils led by Rosabelle (Susan Saint James).

4.15 Dr Sunggles; Cartoon adventures of a philanthropic inventor. Among the voices is that of Peter 1 Ustinov; 4.20 Graham's Ark; This week Graham Thornton talks about the care of chamsters and gerbils; 4.45 Ad Lib. The first of three programmes full of songs, sketches, exercises, musical items and a cartoon character called Yok Yok who comes from Switzerland.

5.15 Money-Go-Round; Joan Shenten and Tony Bastable investigate a case of allergic reaction to food colourings and try and find out why the names of colourings are not printed on food labels. In addition they consider the effect of some video technology which could soon play a large part in our homes and leisure time.

5.45 News; 6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner and Rika Carter; 6.35 Crossroads; 7.06 Nature Watch;

the island's rain forest which houses so many exotic species; 7.30 Coronation Street. A bag of dirty washing causes a panic for the

9.00 The Sweeney; Regan admits he is not getting any younger when he narrowly escapes serious injury when on the trail of a villain.

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10.00 News.

10.30 The Royal Film Performance introduced by Chris Kelly and Judith Chalmers. Interviews with the stars as they arrive at the Odeon Leicester Square together with clips from Chariots of Fire, the film chosen for the Owen Mother.

washing causes a panic for the Ogdens.
8.00 West End Tales: Fiddler and his cohorts are having withdrawal symptoms because the bad weather has cancelled horse racing for a week. But they think they have found the answer to the problem.
8.30 World in Action; The Men from Argentina. Exclusive film of Three Argentinian arms dealers living in British who have been involved in kidnapping and torturing prisoners in a secret camp just outside Buenos Aires.

Anglia

RADIO

11.00 pm Study on 4: World Powers in the Twentieth Century (23) 11.30-12.10 am Open University: Boats and Planes; Education Other-10.30 Star Sound

Radio 3 6.55 am Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records: Handel, Britten, Stanley, Haydn (Sym 55)†

8.45 BBC Sound Archives
9.00 News.
9.05 Start the Week.
10.00 News.
10.02 Money Box.
10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 Story: The Coldest WinterSince 1854, by William Sarnyan.
11.00 News.
11.05 The Great Exaggerator.
11.50 Poetry Please!
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 Cliche 131.† 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Runsky-Korsakov, Vieuxremps, Rossim, Kodalyt 9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer: Deliust 9.50 Week's Composer: Deliusy 9.50 BBC Northern Singers/Wilkin-son: Philips, Sweelindk, Eschert 10.55 Piano: Ireland, Fricker, Ravelt 11.25 CBSO/E. Schmid/Panufnik: Brahms, Panufnik (Vin Conc.— Holmes), Wagner, Schumann (Sym.

11.90 pm News.
1.95 Quartet (Cleveland — live from St John's): Haydn (op 64 no 5), Bartok (no 61†
2.05 Matinee Musicale†
3.05 Violin (Perlman): Bach (Partita 2.02 Woman's Hour,
3.00 News,
3.02 Play: The Dancing Faun, by
Paul Bryers,†
4.35 Home is ... /6)
4.45 Serial: A Study in Scarlet, by
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle 11). (see
Personal Choice).
5.00 PM.
5.55 Weather.
6 on Name 3.40 New Records; Rossini, Brahm

6.00 News. 6.30 Serial: A Murder of Quality, by 7.45 Interval reading.
7.50 Piano, pt 2: Chopin (incl op John Le Carre (1) (see Personal Choice). 7.00 News. 7.30 Factor, pr 20 Victory: (8).
8.30 The Price of Victory: (8).
9.40 New York PO/Mitropoulos:
Shostakevich (Sym 10).
10.30 Jazz in Britain†
11.00 News.
11.05-11.15 Record: Debussy† 7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Just a Minute.
7.50 Play: The Old Jest, by Jennifer

VHF 5.55-6.55 am Open University: What 10.30 Science Now.
11.00 Anna of the Five Towns (11).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News.
12.15 am-12.23 Shipping Forecast. is a Function?; The Context of Welfare; Aural Training (2). 11.15-11.55 pm Open University: Reading in Bostom Gear; Old Age in Ireland. Radio 2

5.00 am Boh Kilbey.+ Noticeboard (1): Time to Move.

10.30 Listen with Minther.
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10.45-12.00 Schools: Da sind wir 2.00 pm Ed Stewart.†
wiedert (10); Singing Together (20);
Springboard; Theatre Workshop. 10.00 Humphrey Lyttelton.†
10.00 Movie Quiz.
10.30 Star Sound
11.00 Brian Matthew.† from 12.00 2.00-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

5.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bares. 11.00 Andy Peebles. 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 12.45 Paul Burnett. 12.45 Paul Burnett.
2.30 Steve Wright.
4.30 Peter Powell.
7.00 Stayin' Alive.
8.00 Richard Skinner.
10.00 John Peel.
12.00 Close.

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ATV As Thames eacept 1,20 pm-1,30 News 2,00 Film. Squeeze a Flower 3,45-4,15 Moncy-Go-Round. S.15-5,45 Mr and Mrs 5,00 Scotland Todat. 8,40-7,00 Crimedest 10,30 Scotlish Liberal Parly Conterence. 11,30 Royal Film Performance. 12,15 am-12,20 Late Call.

Yorkshire As Thames except 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.00 Money-Go-Round, 2.30-4.15 Film; Danger in Paradise (Clif Poits, Ian Balin), 5.15-5.45 Mr and Mrs. 6.00-7.00 Calendar 1.15-12.00 Rugby League, 12.00 Closedown. Southern

Ulster As Thames except: 1,20 sm-1.30 Lunchtime. 2,30 Film: Dream Makers (James Franciscus, Diane Baker), 3,48 Money-Go-Round. 4,13-4,15 News. 5,15-5,45 Mr and Mrs. 6,00-7,00 Good Evening Ulsier. 11,15 Soap. 11,45-11,55 Bedume.

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Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing.

6.10 Farming Week. 6.30 Today: 7.00, 8.90 News. 7.30, 8.30 Headlines. 8.35 The Week on 4 8.45 BBC Sound Archives 9.00 News.

12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World At One

Johnston. 7
9,20 Senses of Occasion (4).
9,30 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight.

2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Rous.

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.30 Film: Dream Makers (James Franciscus). 3.45-4.15 Money-Go-Round. 5.15-5.46 Diffrent Strokes, 6.00 Lookaround. 6.15 The Collectors. 6.30-7.10 Mr and Mrs. 10.30 Scottleb Liberal Party Conference. 11.30 Royal Film Parformance. 12.00-12.18 am News.

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Nows. 2.00 Houseparty. 2.25 Film: Spv Killer-(Robert Horton). 3.45-4.15 Money-Go-Round. 5.15-5.45 Wolcome Back Kotter. 6.00-7.00 Day by Day. 11.15 Rockslage. 12.15 am Weather followed by Being A Christian.

Granada

As Thames except 1,20 pm-1,20 Granada Reports 2,00 Monsy-Go-Round, 2,30-4.15 Film: Brothers O'Toole (Stave Careon), 5.15-5.45 Mr and Mrs. 6,00-7,00 Granada Reports, 11,15 Rupby Lague, 12,00-12,30 am George Hamilton IV.

Tyne Tees As Thames except; Starts 9.20 am Good Word, 9.25-9.30 News, 1.20 pm.1.30-News, Lookaround, 2.00 Money-Go-Round, 2.30-4.15 Film: The Coldita Story' John Mills, Eric Perimant, 5.15-5.45 Mork and Mindy, 6.30 Mr. and Mr. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life, 10.30 News, 10.32 Royal Film Performance, 11.15 Northern Report, 11.45-11.50 Family Prayer.

Westward As Thames except 1,20 pm-1,30 News, 2,00 Film Naised Truth Terry Thomas, Peter Scilers 1,2,42 Guy Honeybun's Birinday's 3,45-4,18 Moscy-Co-Round, 5,15-4,5 Mr. and Mrs. 6,00-7,00 Westward Diary, 10,37 News, 8,00-7,00 Westward Diary, 10,37 News, 8,00-7,00 Westward Diary, 10,37 Rectalogs; Squeeze, 12,10 am-12,15 Faith for Life.

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News
2.00 Money-Go-Round. 2.30-4.18
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Mrs. 6.00-7.00 Report West. 10.2810.30 News. 11.15-12.15 am Rockstanci-Squeezo.
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Report Wales. 8.30-9.00 Yr Wythnos.

Channel As Thames except; 72.00-12.30 pm Closedown. 1,20-1.30 News 2.00 Film: Naked Truth* (Terry Thomas, Peter Seller). 3.45-4.15 Money-Gn-Round. 5.12-5.45 Mr and Mrs. 5.00 Channel Report. 6.20 Cartoon. 6.30-7.00 Amazing Years of Chema. 10.28 Naws, 18.32 Royal Thim Performance. 21,15-12.15 am Rocksings; Squeeze.

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As Thames racepi: Starts 9.25 am. 9.39 First Things. 1.20 pm-1.30 News 2.00 Film: Night and the Gity 1 Gene Tierney, Richard Widmark; 3.6-6,12 Mponey-co-Round. 3.15-5.5 Mp. and Money-co-Round. 5.15-5.5 Mp. and Money-co-Round. 5.15-6.35 Mp. and Money-co-Round. 5.15-6.35 Mp. and Money-co-Round. 5.15-6.35 Mp. 36-7.00 Co.n. 17 First Film Performance. 12.15 am. 12.20 News.

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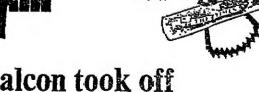
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